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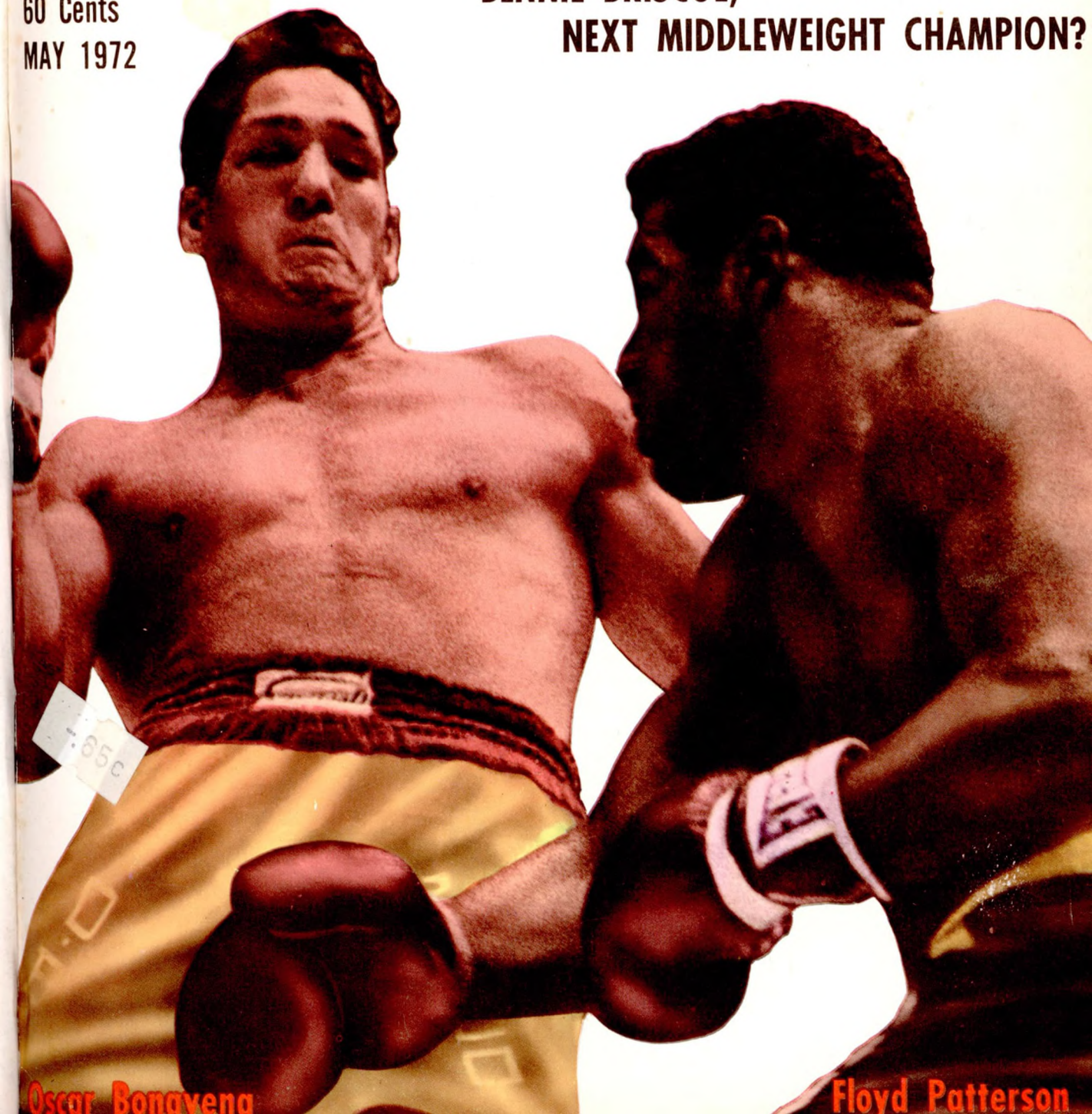

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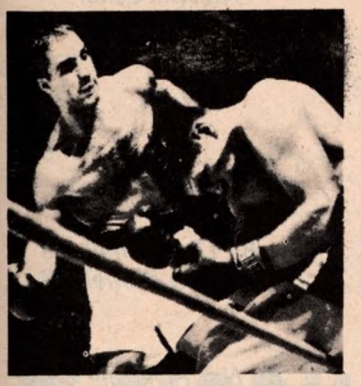

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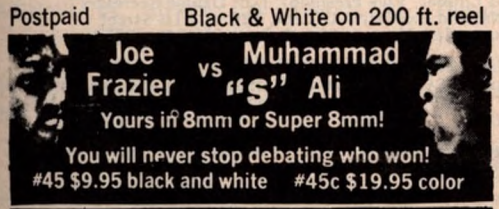

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NAT FLEISCHER SPEAKS OUT

I sat in front of my television receiver and waited for the Frazier-Daniels affair to get under way in New Orleans.

I had no illusions about what I was about to see. For me, the event had one redeeming feature—it soon would be over. I figured Joe to fiddle around for a round and then to administer the soporific.

However, it did not turn out quite that way. The sacrificial lamb was no better and no worse than I had expected. The champion of the world was a disappointment.

It appeared to me that as the third round passed, with Daniels still refusing to take ten, Joe became desperate. He was wild, just swinging almost at random.

It wasn't as if Frazier had gone completely out of training. But his timing was way off. His early plan to stop Terry with a blow to the head had to be abandoned and Joe started swinging for the body.

Frazier's hooking attack had some merit, but taking his showing by and large, it was hardly edifying.

This brings me to a question. What is achieved by affairs like Frazier vs. Daniels and Clay vs. Mathis?

In what way was boxing benefitted by Frazier's almost undisciplined attack on the miserably mismatched, if thoroughly courageous, Daniels?

What good did it do Frazier? He would have got more in technique out of a series of workouts in his gymnasium.

Daniels, of course, got what he was after. He was willing to take a severe beating for money. Just how much he got for being a punching bag has not been revealed from the sources of the promotion.

In any event, the mismatch did boxing no good whatsoever. Those who paid to see Frazier, fistic form regardless, got what they paid for. They could go home and say they had seen "a world heavyweight championship fight"—which it wasn't any more than Clay's mess with poor Mathis was a title contest.

Demonstrations of titular punching for the sake of punching, let the victim be a sure loser, gives boxing a poor effect. Those things sometimes become revolting spectacles. Not only that. A mess like the one in New Orleans could become another Max Baer mauling Frankie Campbell to death in 1930.

It is my humble opinion that when a world champion enters the ring there should be an element of contest.

Yes, I do recollect Joe Louis's series with the Bums of the Month. I do not, at this distance from them, wish to condone them. But there was in the Louis method a discernible blueprint which blocked mayhem.

I am told that Frazier did not like mauling Daniels anymore than I liked the TV picture thereof. When the champion next appears in the arena, he will have to take on a heavyweight of experience and standing. That there is a real rival outside of Clay I doubt very much. I do not believe that George Foreman is ready for Joe.

Foreman is a fighter of promise already well on his way toward establishment as a recognized professional. He is well behaved, thus far a credit to boxing and so constituted as to promise continuance of that standing.

I would hate to see Foreman badly overmatched. If he fights Frazier within this year he will be beaten. But I don't want to see him beaten up. There is a distinction.

Foreman is in a difficult spot. He may not fight under his fistic rating, at this advanced point. He must look up and sometimes looking up too high leads to trouble.

When I last saw Foreman, ne appeared to be in need of a lot of polishing. Dick Sadler, his manager, is quite aware of his pupil's faults. That George ever will acquire speed is doubtful.

Sadler and Foreman are being pressed to go swimming in deep and dangerous waters without having the necessary swimming skills—as yet.

As a boxing chronicler, eager for news to happen, I find some tendency to advocate a Frazier-Foreman fight. But my instincts warn me that this would not be good for the game and for George and that I should curb my desire to see this match made.

In between Foreman and Clay we find Jerry Quarry as the No. 2 title contender. That the Californian could beat Frazier, I doubt very much. Quarry has the body and the desire. But he is not a logical fighter. Whether he has shaken the family problems which for a time handicapped Jerry, I am not certain. For a time there were rumors which had his father assuming too rigid a policy regarding the son.

Now there is another Quarry in the fistic field and conceivably Dad has a fresh interest.

Is Quarry good enough to threaten Frazier? There is an interesting coterie which calls him the "New Quarry" and endows him with enough punch to give Joe a joust.

And so, here we are, with Clay, Quarry and Foreman to talk about as possible foes for Joe Frazier, the formidable heavyweight champion of the world.

FRAZIER EYES QUARRY MATCH

By DAN DANIEL

REPORT HAS CHAMPION GETTING $500,000

Joe Frazier, his face glistening with perspiration, looks happy as he contemplates a possible $500,000 purse for a title defense against Jerry Quarry.

IT appears that Joe Frazier, having swept Terry Daniels from his path as world heavyweight champion, will take on more impressive opposition, against Jerry Quarry, the No. 2 contender behind Cassius Clay.

Report has Frazier and Yank Durham, for Cloverlay, Inc., accepting a $500,000 assignment against Jerry, the site to be either Las Vegas or Houston, which seeks to recover from the Clay-Mathis mess.

Mentioned among those seeking to promote a Frazier-Quarry fight are names of some repute in that activity. The No. 1 money man in the deal is said to be Frank Cullinan, who doubles in brass in Los Angeles. In town he is a stockbroker. In the San Fernando Valley, Frank operates a nightclub.

The known figures in the deal are Mickey Davies, former matchmaker for Mrs. Aileen Eaton at the Los Angeles Olympic, and Eddie Futch, who has been seen in the Frazier corner.

Just when this proposed fight would take place has not been stipulated. All that Quarry will say is that it will have to come after his contract with manager Johnny Flores has expired, around June 1. Jerry and Johnny are not on friendly terms. The fighter now takes his direction largely from Los Angeles attorney Paul Caruso.

If the deal is consummated, Quarry reportedly will get $250,000. The fight would be a rerun, since Frazier stopped Quarry, in no uncertain way, in seven rounds in New York on June 23, 1969.

On the basis of that fight, Quarry would have to be reckoned as a loser going into the ring again with Joe. But those close to Jerry believe that he has become a much better heavyweight since he broke loose from his father as technical advisor. Breaking with Flores may turn out to be a different sort of maneuver. Flores is no fistic vacuum.

Reports about a Frazier-Quarry meeting send the proposed, and to most fans inevitable, return match between Joe and Cassius farther into the future.

There still is no answer to the Frazier-Clay enigma, any more than there was in the April issue of The Ring. Neither man is in a hurry and the public seems to be adopting a similar attitude. This is not good.

Jack Kent Cooke continues to say little on the subject of his option. He has indicated that he would like to have the fight in June or July in his Forum at Inglewood, near Los Angeles. However, note please, that Cooke's option expires in December 1972.

As a preliminary to more serious moves, Cooke has eliminated Jerry Perenchio from the enterprise. Perenchio was in charge of the closed circuit business connected with the Frazier-Clay fight in New York. The grand total–gate and TV revenues–never has been revealed but the unofficial take has been reported as having been between 12 and 15 million.

Cassius Clay waves to fans prior to engaging in an exhibition match at White Plains, N.Y. Cassius doesn't exactly appear in a hurry to meet Frazier again in the near future.

Cooke's option, entered into by Joe and Cassius, calls for each fighter to get $750,000, or 25 percent of the gross.

This may be strange in view of the customary financial advantage allowed to the titleholder.

However, that they will accept $750,000 each when it comes time to sign contracts for the fight is not only doubtful but improbable. They already have demurred but Cooke says they have not been in touch with him.

Joe and Cassius received $2,500,000 each, before taxes, for their March 8, 1971 fight in New York's Garden. Because of the state tax situation, New York is not in the running for the return match.

The Inglewood Forum holds a little more than 18,000 for a fight. In New York, the top price of admission was $150, with scalpers reaping a rich harvest. In the Forum, ringside seats may sell at $200.

Don Fraser, from Cooke's office, says that already there has been an incredible demand for tickets from all over the United States, and from overseas.

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During a recent pilgrimage to Mecca, Clay is shown here during an audience with King Feisal of Saudi Arabia at Jeddah.

IS FOREMAN READY FOR FRAZIER?

Madison Square Garden matchmaker Teddy Brenner, reportedly less than lukewarm about a Frazier-Foreman match.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN HOTLY INTERESTED IN MATCHING GEORGE WITH CHAMPION

Garden Boxing Director Harry Markson told The Ring he is very much interested in staging a title contest between Joe and George.

By DAN DANIEL

In the more knowledgable boxing circles all over the United States there is an honest difference of opinion regarding the state of progress to which George Foreman may lay claim to at this time.

Remember, please, that his professional career goes no father back than 1969. His American flag exploit in the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City made quite a stir.

Harry Markson, Boxing Director of Madison Square Garden, New York, tells The Ring that he is interested in a fight between Foreman and Joe Frazier, heavyweight champion of the world.

A certain respected expert, whom The Ring is not at liberty to name, says, "Foreman has the makings. But to send him against Frazier in 1972 would be asking for serious trouble. George definitely is not ready.

"I suggest that before going after Frazier, Foreman take on either Jerry Quarry or Floyd Patterson. To throw Foreman in with the champion without a real test—he has not had one yet—would be inviting catastrophe."

Foreman and Dick Sadler, his manager, who hitherto had steered away from talk about Frazier, have told Markson they are ready "if the terms are right." Sadler's about face is surprising.

Efforts to get an opinion from Teddy Brenner, Garden matchmaker, were not successful at the time of publication. Report has Teddy hardly lukewarm.

Meanwhile there is talk of a Frazier-Quarry rerun at Las Vegas or Houston.

There is absolutely no sound talk about a Frazier-Clay return fight in the foreseeable future. Strange, but true.

"I have told Sadler that I am interested in a Foreman-Frazier fight," Markson told The Ring.

"I am not working on a Frazier-Clay return for two reasons, first, the New York State tax laws; second, the important fact that Jack Kent Cooke has the option on the second meeting. Not in perpetuity, but nonetheless, an option.

"I would like to have Frazier fight in the Garden, but not against opposition like Terry Daniels. Foreman would make an interesting contest. Better than most think.

"Sadler says Foreman is ready, and he keeps telling me he will drop into the Garden to talk things over. Well, I await him, with keen interest."

That Markson envisions Foreman as an opponent for Frazier traces to the director's No. 1 interest—the box office, and closed circuit television potential.

That our expert sees it wiser for Foreman to approach a Frazier meeting altogether prepared traces to factors which have to do with techniques, exclusively.

Now comes a third party into the discussion—Dick Sadler, manager and trainer of Foreman.

From his hideaway in Hayward, Calif., comes Sadler's vehement opinion that Foreman is ready for Frazier, and that he is prepared to discuss this subject at length with Markson, and the boxing world in general.

Is Sadler qualified to be the best judge of the preparedness of Foreman for a title shot?

Our expert said, "Dick is well qualified. He handled Archie Moore, than whom there was no craftier fighter. Sadler handled Charley Shipes, a good fighter, and he trained and managed other reputable men. There is no doubt whatsoever that Sadler is in a well trained and experienced position to know how good Foreman is.

"Sadler knows more about Foreman the fighter than Foreman knows himself. In the old days Sadler was a nightclub and vaudeville performer, a great piano player, talker and singer. This training left Sadler a student of human nature, if not of boxing. But he has learned much.

"Sadler never did any fighting. If he did, he has kept his record under his hat.

"But he has been an avid student of boxing and training methods, and he also is rated a good man in negotiations.

"In any event, Sadler handles Foreman, and Foreman is completely under his orders and judgment. ''

"The fact remains that Sadler has Foreman. That makes the manager.

"Many a fighter has been made by his pilot. Can you envision Tony Canzoneri developing into a champion minus Sammy Goldman?

"Foreman has had 33 fights. In 18, he got no money."

From his Hayward, Calif. hideout, Sadler said, "I have handled Foreman with recognizable caution, and prepared him with care and study.

"Up to now I have not offered him as a challenger. But the time has come. I am ready to give Foreman full approval as a rival of Frazier.

"In 1969, George had 13 wins, 11 by KO. In 1970, it was 12 fights and 11 knockouts. In 1971, 7 fights, all won by KO. That comes to 30 knockouts in 33 contests.

"Only three opponents have managed to last the limit with my boy–Roberto Davila in an eight-rounder on October 31, 1969; Levi Forte, 10 rounds at Miami Beach in December, 1969; and on February 16, 1970, Greg Peralta in 10 in New York.

"In 1970 George wrecked Boone Kirkman's career in two rounds.

"In 1971, Foreman's seven fights all were won by KO impressively. He stopped Peralta in 10. Luis Pires, of Brazil, who had been touted as a tough one, went out in four. Yes, sir, George Foreman is ready for Joe Frazier."

Foreman is a pleasant, engaging scrapper. He talks little, boasts not at all, works hard, minds his own business, and leads a clean, industrious life. But all that hardly makes him ready for Frazier, unless there be other factors in his favor.

It has been said that Foreman, with 33 fights, cannot be regarded as sufficiently experienced, especially since there are few impressive names among his victims.

He is a good boxer but not a hard hitter. And the old timers call him slow.

There have been times in the past when heavyweights not so well gifted as Foreman were thrown into the ring with champions.

But the way the heavyweight class shapes up in this year 1972, we have to be careful not to kill off interesting futurities.

Foreman is a valuable property, especially for the Garden, which appears to have first call on his services.

He is the kind of fighter who has to be nursed along very carefully. To rush him might be fatal. By the same token, to retard him, if he really is ready for a serious shot at the championship, might discourage George to a dangerous point in his fistic progress.

Thus the decision as to which road Foreman now will take

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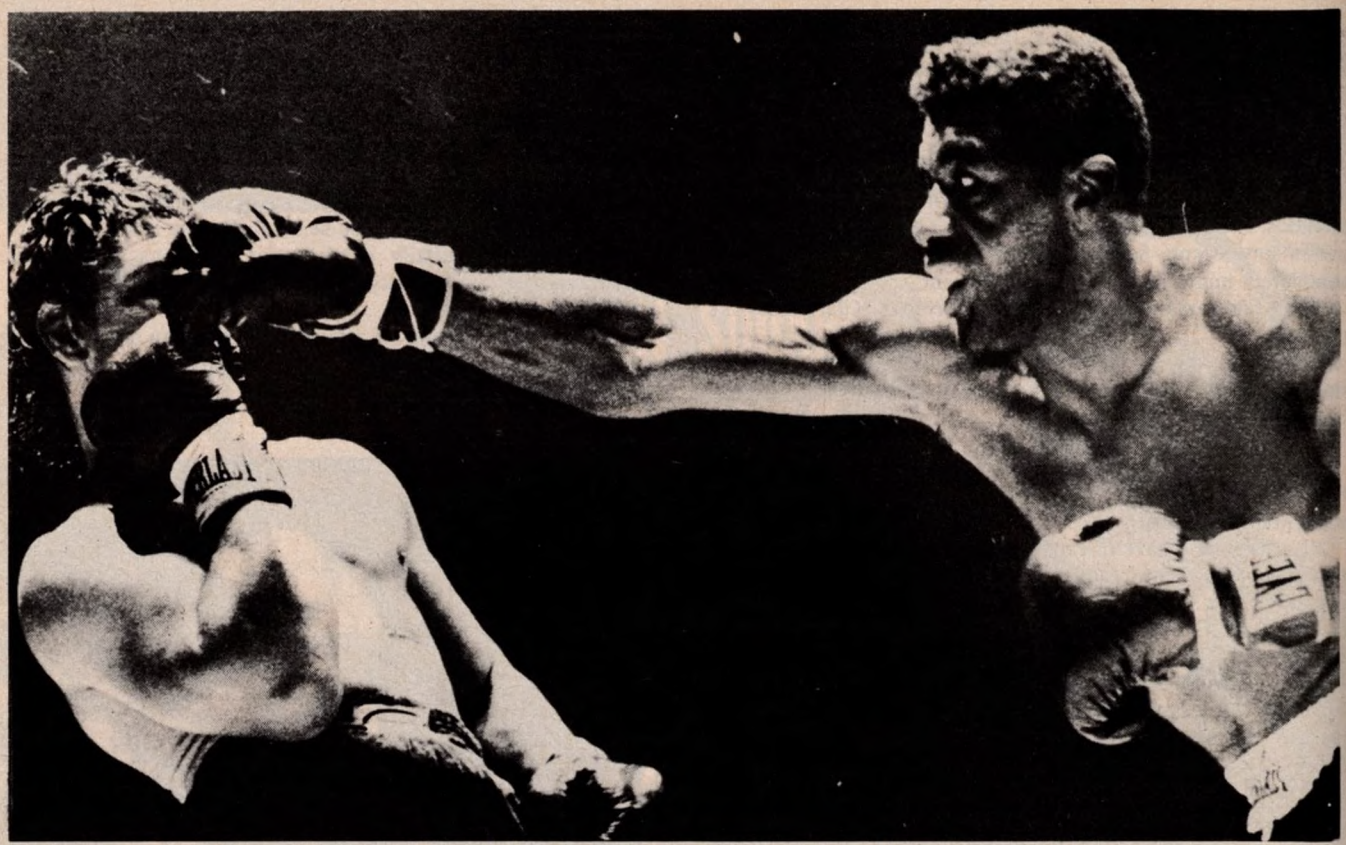
(Above) Foreman blasts Gregorio Peralta with a solid left to the jaw in the 10th round of their bout at Oakland, Calif. Moments later, the contest was halted, giving Foreman a TKO victory. (Left) Meeting at a bowling alley instead of in the ring, Foreman (left) and Frazier get a few tips from 81-year-old trick shot artist Andy Varipapa.



Floyd Patterson tosses a long right which connects with the head of Oscar Bonavena during the seventh round of their Madison Square Garden contest. Patterson was awarded a unanimous decision, though many thought Oscar won.

FLOYD LOOKS TOWARD TITLE AFTER QUESTIONABLE VERDICT

By NAT FLEISCHER

Floyd Patterson, age 37, with a ring career of 20 years behind him, twice heavyweight champion of the world and the only man with recovery of the title to his credit, actually believes that he can gain the crown for a third time.

On the basis of what Patterson showed in gaining a 10-round decision over one-handed Oscar Bonavena in Madison Square Garden recently, his belief that he could put up a possibly winning demonstration against Joe Frazier may be regarded as an obsession.

With a reported $3,000,000 stashed away, and a creditable, if not brilliant, record behind him, Patterson would do well to hang up his gloves in his New Paltz, N.Y. manor, and let younger fists take up the effort to dethrone Frazier.

If Patterson really is crazy for money, his continuance in the ring hardly is a financial minus. He got $85,000 before taxes out of the affair with Bonavena, who collected $70,000.

The attendance at the Bonavena hand-busting was 17,958 and the gate came to $232,510. There is a belief here that Patterson would draw 15,000 fans if he faced an out and out stiff.

Despite the fact that he fought the second half of the ten-rounder with a broken hand, Bonavena was entitled to the decision, 6 rounds to 4. The Ring's entire staff and many other knowledgeable boxing men at ringside thought Oscar deserved the verdict.

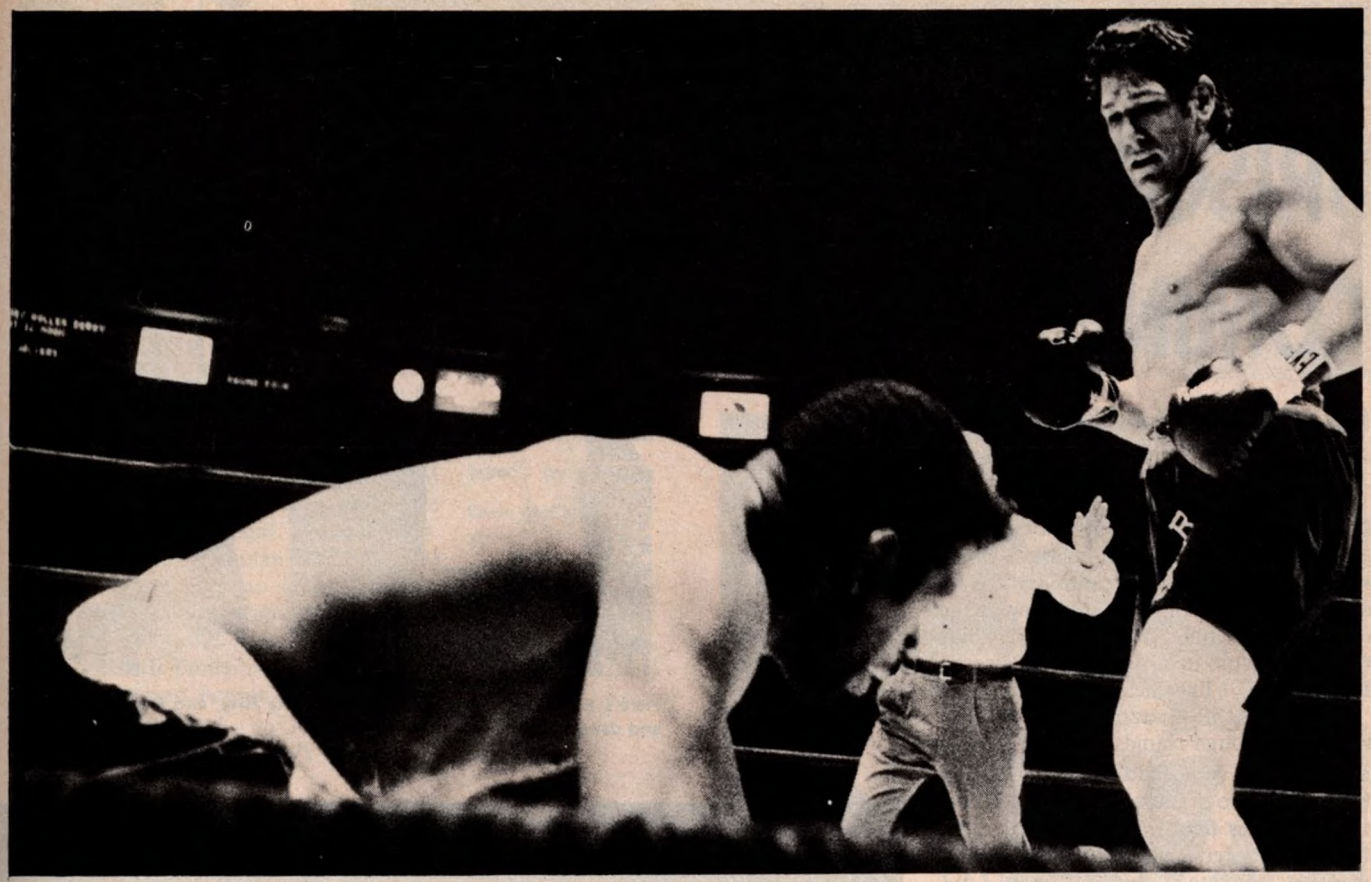
In gaining this unofficial advantage, Bonavena hardly covered himself with glory. He has gone back a long way since September 21, 1966, when he decked Frazier twice in a 10-round losing fight.

Patterson's popularity makes him a valuable property for the Garden. If Floyd aspires to a title fight with Frazier, the New York arena will see that he gets the chance, no matter what the attitude and opinion of the experts.

If Floyd wants to go out in a blaze of pity, let him have the chance. Such daring deserves some sort of reward, even though the enterprise may appear to be quite hazardous.

In his fight with Bonavena, Patterson was in front in rounds six, nine and ten. He finished like a racehorse and judges Bill Recht and Tony Castellano and referee Johnny LoBianco were impressed to a point at which they suffered memory lapses concerning the first half of the match and a couple of heats thereafter.

So let there be no quarrel over the official verdict. It made Patterson happy, it made most of the customers happy, it



The Argentinian eyes the ex-two-time heavyweight king after Floyd hit the deck in the fourth round, the result of a Bonavena left to the jaw. Patterson took the mandatory eight count standing up.

made Harry Markson happy and it did not deal boxing a foul blow. If there be a Frazier-Patterson fight, let's hope it is not a near duplicate of the Clay-Mathis thing in Houston.

As the sixth round bell sounded, Bonavena was in front on two scorecards, and had an even break on the third.

Then the fracture of the third metacarpal of his left hand, for the third time in little more than a year, slowed up the Argentinian and Patterson went on to a unanimous official decision, with the rounds spread like this:

Referee LoBianco, 5 to 4, one even; judge Bill Recht, 7-2-1; judge Tony Castellano, 6-4.

There was only one official knockdown in the 30 minutes of action, in the fourth round. It appeared to be a mere slip but the referee insisted on the mandatory eight for Patterson, who wasn't hit hard enough to drop one of the fatter reporters.

Patterson later admitted that he had been stunned twice. Ringo insisted he never had been hurt. But he gave a fine imitation of a fighter in trouble when Floyd landed an overhand right to the chin in the sixth round.

Time was when that punch would have ended the fight. But Patterson, at 37, was quite a distance past that time.

Bonavena now faces a serious problem. It may be that with a break coming on top of two breaks in the same spot, he no longer is fit to fight. In any event, the Argentinian faces a long, forced layoff and by the time he is ready again, he may find himself pushed out of the scene and forgotten.

Even in the first five rounds, in which he was beating Patterson, Bonavena wasn't the Ringo who twice had dumped Frazier in a Garden fight won by Joe. Oscar is going back steadily. He was not altogether fit for Patterson.

Floyd, on the other hand, was trained to the minute, fit as a tuneful Stradivarius. But his timing was not what it used to be. Any wonder? He spent most of the 30 minutes running

Patterson smiles warmly, his arm raised in victory after the decision was announced to the cheers of the crowd, who rooted for Floyd throughout.

around the ring. The former champion weighed 191¼ pounds, a splendid fighting weight for him, while Oscar hit the beam at 206.

"I am not ready for Frazier yet. I expect to be better for my next fight" was the burden of Floyd's good night speech.

At the age of 37, Patterson finds himself a trial horse. A fight with Jerry Quarry? Could be. Floyd has scores to settle with the Californian. A test for George Foreman? That

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PHILLY BOOMS BRISCOE AS COMING CHAMP

By JOSEPH BEVANS BUSH

(PHOTOS BY ART HILL)

Here's a smiling Bennie Briscoe with wife Rita, and Bennie Jr., age 3, and daughter Tracey Denise, 4.

Philadelphia, Pa. – In North Philly's teeming Black colony, they call him "Baaad Bennie". And for good reason. He is one of the most feared punchers in the middleweight division; and pound for pound, one of the strongest men in the ring today. Bennie Briscoe has held middleweight champion Carlos Monzon to a draw and has scored a KO over Vicente Rondon, No. 1 light heavyweight contender.

Recalling the Monzon fight, Briscoe says: "Carlos and I fought ten tough rounds four years ago down in Buenos Aires and the bout was called a draw. I've never been a man to argue about decisions, but the fight was held in his hometown, so, for them to give me a draw, I must've won. At any rate, I always thought I did. One thing for sure, the cat has never had 'eyes' for a rematch."

Judging from Briscoe's record in return bouts, Monzon should avoid him incessantly. And he has. The muscular, bald-headed Philadelphian has reversed all but three of his losses. His overall record is 40-9-2, including 33 KO's, and in grand fashion, knocking out his previous conquerors.

Bennie's most recent conquest of a former conqueror came last summer in a bout at The Spectrum here. The victim was Brazil's Juarez DeLima, who was stopped in two rounds. DeLima gained a 10-round nod over Bennie a couple of years before in New York.

This time it was a different story as Briscoe took command from the opening bell, throwing power-laden rights and lefts; and applying terrible pressure, preventing his adversary from utilizing his superior boxing skill.

However, DeLima did deliver some telling blows, but Briscoe just shook them off and at the bell had the Brazilian spitting lots of gore from the mouth.

At the start of the second round, Bennie rushed from his corner like a raging bull, unleashing volleys of combinations as DeLima tried, but to no avail, to stem the tide. An atomic left hook turned DeLima's legs to rubber and a Briscoe barrage sent him to the floor for an eight count.

Staggering to his feet, the South American tried to make a go of it, but was overwhelmed. Briscoe stormed after him.

Briscoe lands a long left to the head of Joe Shaw in their second meeting. Shaw went out in round seven.

Rocking and rolling like a sailor who had not yet acquired his sea legs, DeLima was knocked halfway out of the ring. With blood pouring from the glassy-eyed South American's nose and mouth, referee Jack Fitzpatrick halted the proceedings and the Brazilian suffered his first KO defeat.

So, like Percy Manning, Tito Marshall, Vicente Rondon and Joe Shaw (all of whom decisioned Briscoe the first time around), Juarez DeLima ended up knocked out by Briscoe in a rematch.

As one of the regulars at Champ's Gym observed: "To fight Bennie Briscoe once, a cat's gotta be mighty brave. To fight him twice, he's gotta be outta his mind."

Champ's Gymnasium is housed in a building at 2305 Ridge Avenue, in the heart of North Philadelphia's "Soulville" Every day Bennie Briscoe goes faithfully to that address and climbs the rickety stairs to the second floor.

Here he works out under the scrutiny of Quenzell McCall. One of the best trainers in boxing, Quen has tutored Percy Bassett, interim featherweight

champion of the world during the 40's, Jimmy Champagne, former aspirant for welterweight honors; and Lenny Matthews, one-time lightweight contender.

"I've been in the boxing business most of my life", says McCall, "and I have handled countless fighters. However, few have been less difficult to work with than Bennie. The guy doesn't drink or smoke. He trains religiously, follows instructions well and is a good family man. I would say, he is a trainer's dream".

A philosopher has said, "Patience is a virtue". However, were he around today, he would get a lot of static from Bennie Briscoe.

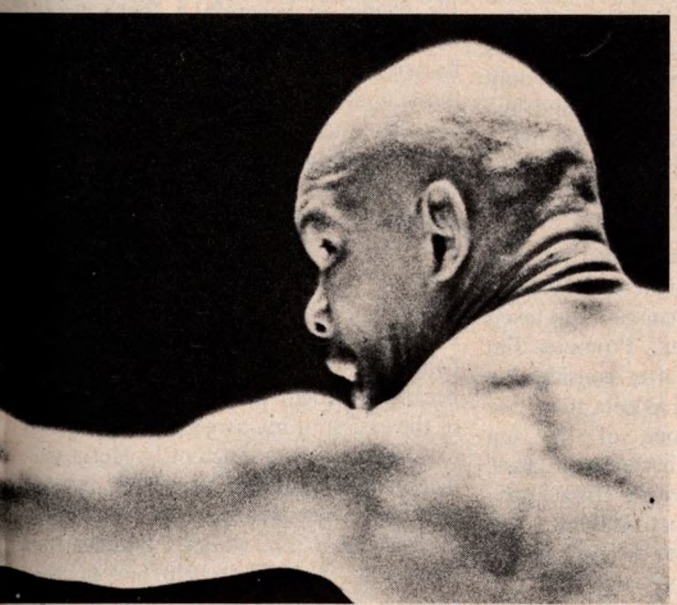
Briscoe has been a contender for a long time. In fact, back in 1964 he KO'd Charley Scott in one round to annex the Pennsylvania welterweight championship. He was looked on as a man destined to be world champion. But, no such thing. The welter and middleweight titles have changed hands more times than a dollar bill in a North Philly street corner crap game and "Baaad Bennie" is still waiting patiently for his 'shot'.

"It seems like everybody has had a crack at the title but me", laments Briscoe. "Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, everybody. Now, I ain't never been the kinda cat to begrudge any man his due, but some of those clowns who have fought for the title would hardly be good sparrin' partners for me".

Maybe Bennie is too good for his own good. A couple of years ago when Nino Benvenuti was training for one of his title tilts with Emile Griffith, Briscoe was hired as a sparring partner by the Italian's camp. After a few rounds of boxing, he was fired.

"I guess I hit Nino too hard and too often", laughs Bennie. "Anyhow, they told me to pack my bags."

Bennie has his hands taped by trainer Quen McCall.



Some action in the Briscoe-Jimmy Lester meeting. Bennie stopped him in six.

Born in Augusta, Ga., Briscoe is from a family of 14 children (10 boys and four girls). His father stands 6 feet 2 inches and his mother is of average height. All of Bennie's brothers are well over 6 feet. His sisters, like his mom, are average in height. Briscoe is the oldest child; and at 5 feet 9 inches, the shortest boy.

Bennie moved to Philadelphia—his parents and their other children still live in Georgia—as a pudgy 200-pound teenager. He started boxing in the amateurs while a student at Simon Gratz High School in North Philly in 1957.

He won three Middle Atlantic AAU championships in the welterweight class. In 1962, he was runnerup in the nationals.

In 1960, he made a bid for the United States Olympic team. He advanced to the finals of the trials. In those trials was a young man from Louisville, Kentucky, name of Cassius Clay.

Says Briscoe, "He was a friendly cat who seemed to be in love with the world. Of course, at that time, I called him Cassius Clay as that was what he called himself. Today, I call him Muhammad Ali and for the same reason. Unlike another fighter in Philly, I ain't against callin' him by that name. Also, I was glad to see him get 'cool' with the government in that draft thing."

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Nardico Sore At Lamotta's Sniding His 1952 Knockout

By CARSON DADE

CARSON City, Nev.—Working for the state of Nevada here, happily married and rated a solid citizen and a grand guy, is Danny Nardico, onetime light heavyweight contender.

Nardico never achieved a title but he was a solid 175-pound challenger.

Nardico was glad to talk. He had a beef against Jake LaMotta.

On December 31, 1952, at Coral Gables, Nardico knocked out LaMotta in eight rounds.

Danny says it was one of the easiest fights of his career and he is sore at LaMotta for failing to talk about it when Jake gets on the air—and that is often.

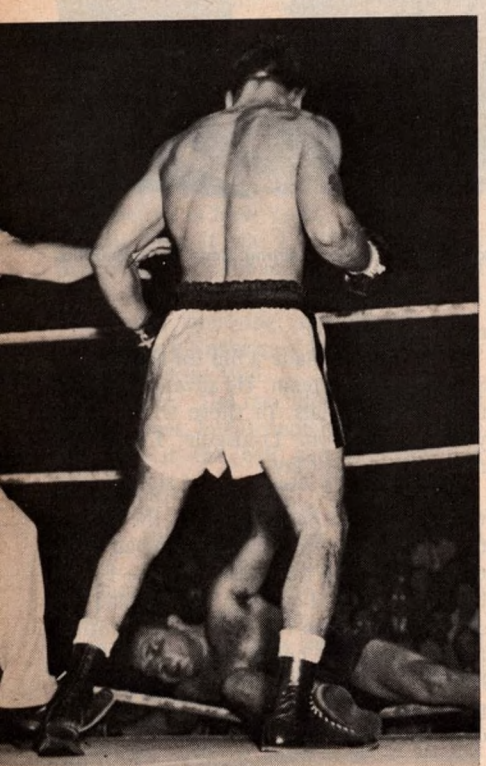
Nardico's latest outburst was occasioned by the fact that when Jake was on the Johnny Carson Show recently, with Joey Bishop running it in place of Carson, LaMotta again passed up the fact that he had been laid out by Danny.

LaMotta also was stopped by Ray Robinson in 13 rounds, by Bob Murphy in 7, and Billy Fox in 4. Jake has admitted that the Fox fight was not on the level.

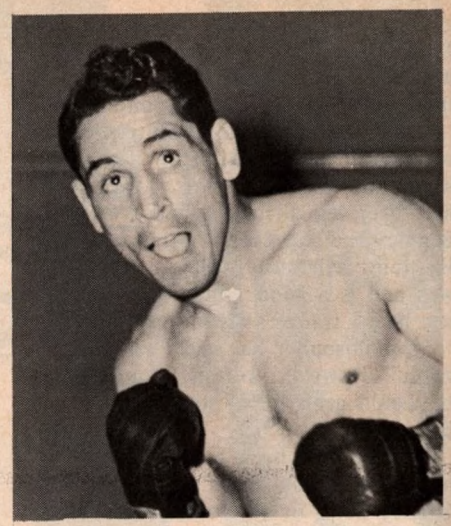
Said Nardico, "For 20 years now I have tuned in radio or television while La Motta talked about all the great fighters he had fought, his title and his friends. He always brought up the allegation that he was knocked down only once in his long career. I knocked out La Motta on New Years Eve, 1953. Since LaMotta always makes it a point to mention this only knockdown and in trying to sound like some kind of superman of his time, I think that your readers should learn to know the truth of this fight, and I would like to tell it like it was.

"This fight took place when we were top rated light heavyweights and LaMotta had his middleweight championship taken away by Ray Robinson". Promoter Jim Norris of the Garden, after considerable time spent convincing LaMotta that if he could beat me as one of the top contenders in the light heavyweight class, it would provide him with a crack at the title, then held by Joey Maxim.. The fight was in Coral Gables, Florida, and as 40,000,000 TV viewers watched, I had myself the "slaughter of the month".

"La Motta has been asked if he had ever been knocked down and he has admitted that he had been but that "he got right up". Certainly he didn't convince the viewers that he "got right up", and if I have to prove that he was saved by the bell and dragged to his corner by his handlers, I have the pictures to do so..



LaMotta is knocked through the ropes in the seventh round by Nardico. Jake appears helpless. LaMotta was inactive in '53, then made a shortlived comeback in 1954.



Danny Nardico, who stopped Jake LaMotta on December 31, 1952, at Coral Gables, Florida.

"It's not that I want to hear my name mentioned over TV, because I have enjoyed more than my share of success. But, on the other hand I don't want myself derogated as La Motta must like the people to believe. La Motta wasn't beaten by some fluke of a fighter. He was beaten by a fighter who was one of the most underrated of the 50's, who was considered to fight Rocky Marciano.

"My only regret of the La Motta fight was the fact that he didn't come out for the eighth round and I felt robbed of the glory of finishing the job I started. I heard that La Motta has spoken of his "dive" in his fight with "Black Jack Billy Fox". There is no possibility of La Motta being accused of blowing our fight because my fight with La Motta was one of the easiest of my career.

"I had heard so much of La Motta and his bull-like tactics. During this fight I wondered what prompted the fight world to evaluate a guy whom I found to be "nothing". I couldn't help but wonder (during our fight) when La Motta was going to offer resistance. I am convinced that the punch I hit La Motta with was nothing more than a good "smack" to the face of a freshman of a high school.

"I always have taken pride in the fact that I was a professional fighter, and I don't like to be belittled by a man who would not tell the whole story. I never did say that I was a great fighter, but, for a guy who had a manager who didn't care, I think that I was the greatest.

"For a guy that climbed the ladder with no one to spar with and who sat out the years in isolation on the east coast of Florida having no one to spar with but a

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CHRIS DUNDEE

21-YEAR DUNDEE ERA ENDS IN MIAMI BEACH

By BRUCE TRAMPLER

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—After 21 years of scandal-free sports promotion, involving and including thousands of boxing and wrestling matches and six world championship fights, the City Council of Miami Beach ended—temporarily at least—the Chris Dundee Era.

The possibilities of Dundee's ouster were hinted at in the January issue of The Ring. Possibility became reality on January 11, when Dundee notified the City Council that he would not be bidding for the exclusive lease on the Convention Hall-Auditorium complex, feeling that the financial demands of the City were "impossible to live with."

Eight days later, by a vote of 5-2, the Council okayed the bid of the only remaining prospective promoter—Allied Sports Enterprises, Inc.

For years, Dundee had been paying the same 12½ per cent of his gross revenues to the city that other events housed in the two arenas were required to ante up.

When Allied Sports announced last fall that it would also seek the exclusive promotional franchise, the city attorney ruled that the competition would be won by the best qualified bidder. However, then Mayor Jay Dermer—and his successor, Chuck Hall—both contradicted the attorney and sought the best financial bid to go along with the best qualified promoter.

Dundee, after studying his figures in past years, felt he could go no higher than 13 per cent of his gross. Allied Sports, with nothing to lose, bid 17½ per cent. The City, embarrassed by the difference in bids and apparently interested in retaining Dundee but at the higher figure, declined to name either party as the promoter.

Instead, the Council established a compromise of 15 per cent as the flat rate upon which Dundee and Allied Sports would bid.

Later, they added a clause that specified the 15 per cent would be against an annual guarantee of $70,000 for each of the five years of the contract, and that the promoter must stage 25 boxing shows and 40 wrestling cards each year.

It was the insertion of the $70,000 stipulation that first caused Dundee to have second thoughts about the matter. "I've been giving the city around $75,000 the past several years, based on my 12½ points," said Chris. "But they have

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MEL ZIEGLER

W. H. PEEPLES

BARON PATE

ALBERT WILENSKY

ZIEGLER FACES TREMENDOUS JOB

By HANK KAPLAN

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—In boxing's biggest upset of the year, Melvin L. Ziegler, a Miami Beach businessman and manufacturing tycoon, gained control of boxing and wrestling in that city, terminating the reign of veteran promoter Chris Dundee, who had been in control there for 21 years.

With a sincere feeling that local boxing fans were not being given the best talent available to the local promoter, Ziegler, originally from Brooklyn, having had 21 amateur fights in the Broadway Arena and Ridgewood Grove, started a campaign to gain control of boxing in Miami Beach. This meant gaining the exclusive contract rights to boxing and wrestling promotion in the 4,000-seat Auditorium and the 18,000-seat Convention Hall.

The odds against Ziegler, now engaged in the production of modern outdoor fiberglas furniture, unseating Dundee were overwhelming but Ziegler was most determined to fight it out. With the old contract running out, bids were open to those qualified. Ziegler and associates won.

Some of the requirements were: a bidder must have been a promoter for at least 15 years and actively engaged in promotions for ten of the last 15; he must have promoted at least one world championship bout; must have had at least one nationally televised bout to originate under his promotion; and must have promoted at least one closed-circuit televised show.

Appearing before the City Council of Miami Beach, Bill Brennan, President of the WBA was asked how many promoters could meet the requirements. "Not more than five or six," he replied.

After hearing Brennan's statement, the City Council asked the City Manager to modify these requirements.

Mel Ziegler then obtained the services of veteran Florida promoter Major W.H. Peeples, who came out of a ten-year period of inactivity, never having formally retired. By adding the Major, who is retired from the U.S. Army with that rank, to his organization, formally called Allied Sports Enterprises, Inc., Ziegler met the requirements, since the rules required either the bidder or member of the bidder's organization, if a

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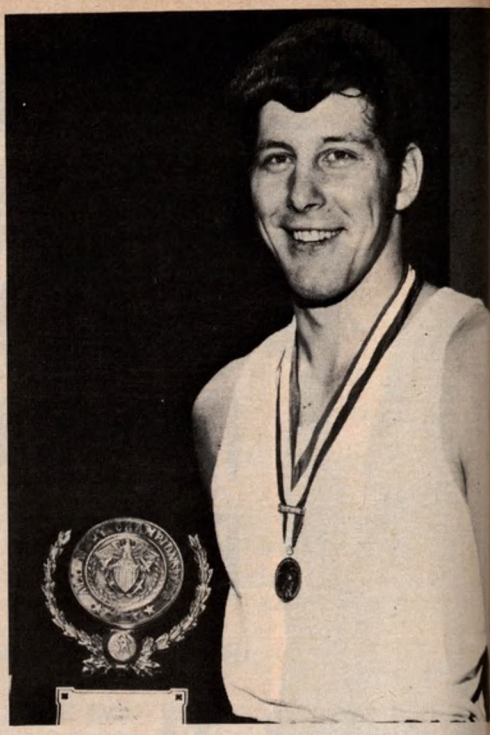
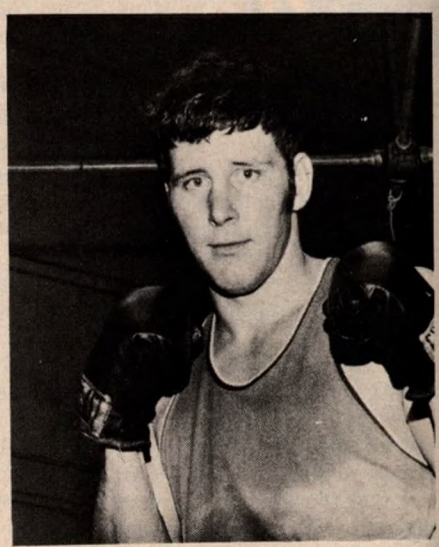
BOBICK SHOOTING FOR GOLD MEDAL



A happy Duane Bobick proudly displays his All-Navy 1971 Heavyweight Boxing Championship award.



(Above) Bobick is about to receive the world military medal. (Right) Bobick poses for the camera following a gym workout.

By TURNER DOZIER

NORFOLK Va.,—The greatest feeling in the world, says Navy boxer Duane Bobick, is "standing up there in another country and hearing the National Anthem of the United States."

"That feeling will stick with me forever," says the leading U.S. hope for a heavyweight Olympics championship this summer in Munich, Germany.

"It's something that money can't buy. The sound of it makes your body tingle all over. When you're there representing some 200 million people, it's a great feeling, indescribable."

Bobick, 21-year-old quartermaster third class from Bowlus, Minn., has known that feeling in Rotterdam, Holland, and in Cali, Colombia. Those were mere tremors compared to the blockbuster he'll feel if he wins a Gold Medal in the Olympics.

Upcoming for the All-Navy and Interservice champion are trials to determine which fighters make the trip to Germany. "That's my goal now as an amateur," says Bobick. "After that, I may or may not turn pro. If I do, my goal will be the world championship.

"If you are doing a story on me, please do not refer to me as a White Hope. That monicker is repugnant to me. I know all about the White Hope era which ended with Jess Willard's beating Jack Johnson, and I have no desire to get mixed up with anything like that, 1972 version."

An amateur with a record of 67-9, Bobick has won his most recent 30 fights, 22 by knockout. If he has a killer instinct in the ring, it is completely alien to his basic nature. One of 11 children, Bobick is an introverted, small town prototype. He has the smooth, well-scrubbed face of an altar boy.

But face to face with his adversary, and gloves on his fists, Bobick undergoes a transformation in personality.

"I have no remorse after a knockout," he says. "The other guy is out to do it to me. Besides, he's not really hurt that much, just stunned. What is worse—and I don't like this kind of a fight—is a guy who takes all my shots and doesn't fall. He just stands there."

"I don't usually go for a knockout," said Bobick. "You have a tendency to overstrain, to foul up your rhythm. I would prefer to learn something in a three-round fight although I am not going to carry a guy. I like moving around but I don't wish to be anybody's punching bag."

Bobick considers himself a perfectionist. He consults his horoscope daily. Born on August 24, 1950, he is under the sign of Virgo. "One day I woke up and saw where I was going to have a bad day, according to the horoscope. But that same day I fought a very good fight and won."

At 205 pounds, Bobick is a lean 6-3 but has extremely broad shoulders, large hands and an 82-inch reach. He trains daily in the Norfolk Naval Station gym under Dick Pettigrew, running six miles, skipping rope, punching the bag and sparring.

He's assigned to the Naval Station Ship's Company, performs in smokers and AAU tournaments. "I've done

nothing but fight and travel and fight since the Navy brought me to Norfolk," says Bobick.

Does the Navy know he exists?

"Yeah, that's a sore spot," replied Bobick grinning. "Some people here think I'm goldbricking. I get out in October. I'm undecided about a pro career. I'll play it by ear. The Dundees saw me fight an exhibition in Miami and liked my body-punching style."

Some Navy athletes have never been to sea. Others never set foot on a ship. "I was on a tender once, the Sierrra. How long? Oh, for about an hour and a half. I was on it last summer for a steak and a physical."

"And I had a boat ride in Rotterdam Harbor once," he added with the understandable pride of a sailor who has won his sea legs.

"I have thought of going back to school when I get out, perhaps to the University of Minnesota. I want to be a school teacher. Or I may go to trade school to study auto mechanics. Truck driving across country has a certain appeal because truck drivers meet lots of people and see things. I am curious about life and people.

"As a Navy fighter, I have met many interesting people. In Rotterdam, where I won the world military championship, I met a German liaison officer. A funny, Pinocchio type of character. We compared training methods. Their methods amaze me but I don't knock them. There are many ways to learn and I have tried them all, including my reactions to Clay and Frazier on television and studying old Joe Louis films.

"Boxing has set the lines for my life. I work hard. I make sacrifices. I'm learning to be dedicated and enjoy physical work. It is a way to release my frustrations—if I have any.

"Boxing is an art—to hit the other fellow as much as you want without getting hit yourself. I am still unmarked. But remember, I like myself." Bobick smiled and rubbed a hand through his reddish, curly hair.

He could be boxing's next showcase heavy. A promoter with the right connections is waiting somewhere for Bobick to make the change from Navy blue to civvies, then pounce.

"I have to be careful," said Bobick. "There are too many hungry people outside looking for a meal ticket."

This meal ticket happens to look like a matinee idol and carries bombs around on the ends of his wrists. A good-looking knockout artist. Who could ask for more?

In Rotterdam, scene of the world military championships, Bobick scored three first-round knockouts.

Bobick says:

"The first was an Iranian. He was big, moved well but was stiff. I dropped him twice, once with a left hook. Five jabs put him down again and then I put him away with a left hook to the body and a right hook to the jaw. In 2:48.

"I decked the Austrian in 1:55. He went down three times. And he was bigger than me, 225 to 205. My right hand still hurts from the Pan-Am games and I am largely a lefthander. But I used the right enough to be effective. A quick one-two to the jaw ended this one.

"Schmidt—he was the German—was out in 2:28. He was a counter-puncher. I put everything into my right hand and it was like going through paper, I had so much power in it. Three fights, I think I threw my right, oh, about 10 times."

Between fights, bachelor Bobick relaxes by reading western and mystery novels and sometimes he will take a walk down to the piers and look at the ships he hasn't sailed on. His tastes are simple, owing to his having been reared in a small town, population 263.

"In Bowlus, everybody knows everybody else's business. It's a farming community, a couple of stores, a post office. A nice, friendly little town with no traffic, no smog, no crime. I like to hunt and fish. But I'd rather see the beauty of the ducks in their landings and takeoffs than shoot them.

"You get a good feeling walking two miles with all the ducks and geese around you to remind you of the cleaner side of nature. Our waters are full of wall-eye, muskies, northern pike, catfish."

If Bobick sounds like a conservationist, he is. Of religion, he says: "A man must live by his own set of rules. I don't accept all the concepts of a formal religion, but I know there is a God. Living the golden rule, I guess, pretty well sums up my philosophy."

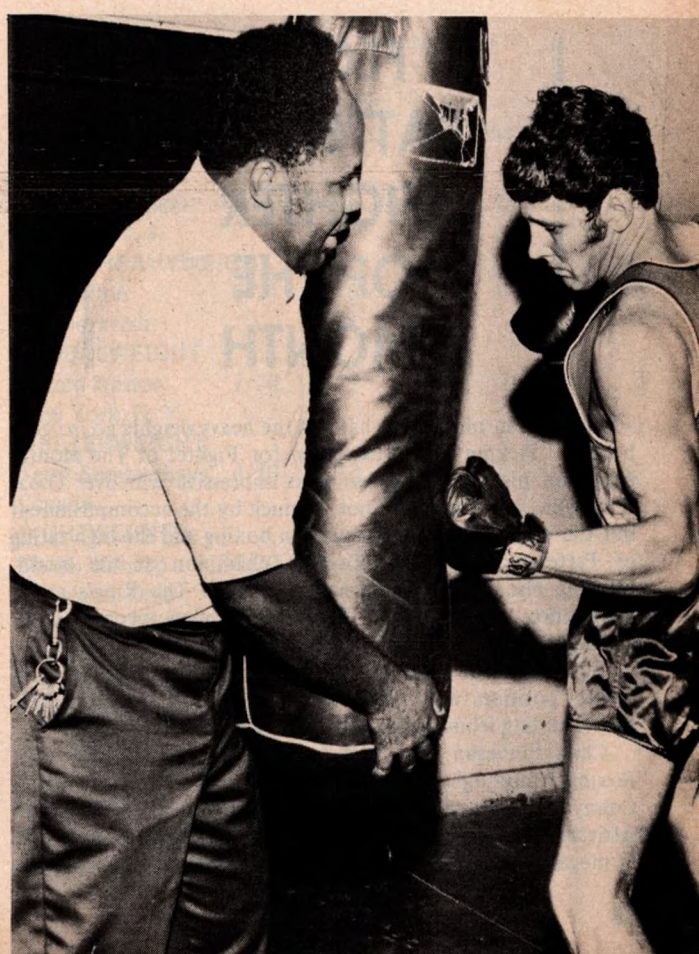
On the ills of boxing, Bobick says, "Boxing is just like society. There is good and there is bad. People love to pick on boxing. The art is another case of a man struggling to better himself. Unfortunately, you must go over people sometimes and they often get hurt. That's life."

One of Bobick's victims, a Mexican named Joaquin Rocha, says Duane has a powerful punch, and may be as good as George Foreman who won a Gold Medal in 1968. The two fighters have something else in common: they love to wave the American flag.

Hopefully, it's on to Munich for the only amateur title Bobick hasn't won—an Olympic gold medal.

Go, Navy!

Go, Bobick!



Navy coach Dick Pettigrew holds the heavy bag as Bobick punches away.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING MARCH 15, 1972

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOE FRAZIER, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–CASSIUS CLAY, Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–JERRY QUARRY, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–GEORGE FOREMAN, Hayward, Calif.
4–FLOYD PATTERSON, New York, N.Y.
5–OSCAR BONAVENA, Argentina
6–MAC FOSTER, Fresno, Calif.
7–JOSE LUIS GARCIA, Venezuela
8–JOSE URTAIN, Spain
9–LARRY MIDDLETON, Baltimore, Md.
10–JIMMY ELLIS, Louisville, Ky.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.
1–VICENTE RONDON, Venezuela
2–ANDY KENDALL, Portland, Ore.
3–CHRIS FINNEGAN, England
4–PIERRE FOURIE, South Africa
5–MIKE QUARRY, Los Angeles, Cal.
6–JIMMY DUPREE, Jersey City, N.J.
7–PAT O'CONNOR, Rochester, Minn.
8–CONNY VELENSEK, Germany
9–LARRY BUCK, Seattle, Wash.
10–BRIAN KELLY, Cushing, Okla.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina
1–JEAN-CLAUDE BOUTTIER, France
2–EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N.Y.
3–BENNIE BRISCOE, Philadelphia, Pa.
4–DENNY MOYER, Portland, Ore.
5–BUNNY STERLING, England
6–RODRIGO VALDEZ, Colombia
7–MIGUEL de OLIVIERA, Brazil
8–KOICHI WAJIMA, Japan
9–EUGENE HART, Philadelphia, Pa.
10–RAFAEL GUTIERREZ, Mexico

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1–ERNIE LOPEZ, Las Vegas, Nev.
2–ADOLPH PRUITT, St. Louis, Mo.
3–ROBERT GALLOIS, France
4–HEDGEMON LEWIS, Detroit, Mich.
5–ARMANDO MUNIZ, Los Angeles, Cal.
6–BILLY BACKUS, Syracuse, N.Y.
7–MARCEL CERDAN, France
8–SANDRO LOPOPOLO, Italy
9–THURMAN DURDEN, Los Angeles, Calif.
10–NATE ROBINSON, Los Angeles, Calif.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina
1–BRUNO ARCARI, Italy
2–JOAO HENRIQUE, Brazil
3–EDDIE PERKINS, Chicago, Ill.
4–JIMMY ROBERTSON, San Francisco, Calif.
5–CARLOS GIMENEZ, Argentina
6–PACO FLORES, Phoenix, Ariz.
7–JEFF WHITE, Australia
8–RODOLFO GONZALEZ, Long Beach, Calif.
9–EAGLE SATO, Japan
10–JOHNNY GANT, Washington, D.C.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
KEN BUCHANAN, Scotland
1–ANTONIO PUDDU, Italy
2–MANDO RAMOS, Long Beach, Calif.
3–PEDRO CARRASCO, Spain
4–AL FORD, Canada
5–ROBERTO DURAN, Panama
6–ISMAEL LAGUNA, Panama
7–SHINICHI KADOTA, Japan
8–ALFONSO FRAZIER, Panama
9–RAYMUNDO DIAS, Brazil
10–RAUL VENERDINI, Argentina

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALFREDO MARCANO, Venezuela
1–FRANKIE OTERO, Miami, Fla.
2–WILLIAM MARTINEZ, Nicaragua
3–JOSE LUIS LOPEZ, Mexico
4–SAMMY GOSS, Philadelphia, Pa.
5–RUBEN NAVARRO, Los Angeles, Cal.
6–RAY LAMPKIN, Portland, Ore.
7–UGO POLI, Italy
8–JOSE MARIN, Costa Rica
9–FRANKIE CRAWFORD, Los Angeles, Cal.
10–RENE BARRIENTOS, Philippines

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
KUNIAKI SHIBATA, Japan
1–RICARDO ARREDONDO, Mexico
2–ERNESTO MARCEL, Panama
3–ANTONIO GOMEZ, Venezuela
4–BEN VILLAFLOR, Philippines
5–JOSE LEGRA, Spain
6–EDER JOFRE, Brazil
7–CLEMENTE SANCHEZ, Mexico
8–SHOZO SAIJYO, Japan
9–VICENTE SALDIVAR, Mexico
10–TAHAR BEN HASSON, Tunis

BANTAMWEIGHT
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico
1–RODOLFO MARTINEZ, Mexico
2–RAFAEL HERRERA, Mexico
3–CHUCHO CASTILLO, Mexico
4–JESUS PIMENTEL, Los Angeles, Cal.
5–ENRIQUE PINDER, Panama
6–AUGUSTIN SENIN, Spain
7–ALAN RUDKIN, England
8–OCTAVIO GOMEZ, Mexico
9–ROGELIO LARA, Mexico
10–CHARTCHAI CHIONOI, Thailand

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ERBITO SALVARRIA, Philippines
1–BETULIO GONZALEZ, Venezuela
2–MASAO OHBA, Japan
3–SERVILLO de OLIVIERA, Brazil
4–LORENZO GUTIERREZ, Mexico
5–MIGUEL CANTO, Mexico
6–VENICH BORKORSOR, Thailand
7–RICARDO DELGADO, Mexico
8–FERNANDO ATZORI, Italy
9–FERNANDO CABANELA, Philippines
10–ORLANDO AMOROS, Panama

FLOYD PATTERSON FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

There is an old adage that "as the heavyweights go, so goes boxing." Picking Floyd Patterson for Fighter of The Month, based on his something less than impressive win over Oscar Bonavena, was motivated not so much by the accomplishment but the position of heavyweights in boxing and the high rating of Patterson, twice heavyweight champion of the world. Nothing else had occurred at the time of The Ring's rating conference either in the heavyweight class or any other division that demanded precedence over Patterson's feat.

As a result of Floyd's win, he has climbed from sixth to fourth position with Bonavena dropping to fifth and Mac Foster sliding from fifth to sixth among the heavies.

Chris Finnegan, the Englishman who won the European Boxing Union light heavyweight title by defeating Germany's Conny Velensek, climbed to third, swapping places with South Africa's Pierre Fourie, now fourth. Velensek, due to his loss to Finnegan, switched places with Pat O'Connor, ending up in eighth position with Pat moving up a notch to seventh.

Middleweight activity was scarce with Eugene Hart jumping from tenth to ninth spot, exchanging positions with inactive Rafael Gutierrez, of Mexico. Koichi Wajima, Japanese threat, drops to eighth while an active and winning Miguel de Oliviera, of Brazil, moves into the vacated seventh nitch.

Among the welterweights, Billy Backus jostled into the sixth spot held by losing Marcel Cerdan, of France, who slid to seventh.

Antonio Puddu is now the No. 1 lightweight contender and Mando Ramos No. 2, by virtue of his win over Pedro Carrasco. The main change among the junior lightweights being the moving up of Ray Lampkin, due to his win over Nestor Rojas, his second victory in less than a month, to sixth position and the dropping of Frankie Crawford from that spot to ninth as a result of his being belted out by Ben Villaflor.

The featherweight class did a jig with Eder Jofre, due to inactivity, slipping from third to sixth and Antonio Gomez, of Venezuela, climbing to third on his win over Raul Martinez in a W.B.A. featherweight title contest. Ben Villaflor, Philippines, slugger climbed from fifth to fourth due to his pasting of Frankie Crawford, a junior lightweight. Clemente Sanchez, of Mexico, took the slide to seventh for inactivity while Jose Legra jumped from seventh to fifth by beating Evan Armstrong in an E.B.U. featherweight title bout.

Alan Rudkin defeated Johnny Clark for the British bantamweight crown and by so doing moved up from eighth to seventh position in that class, exchanging places with Octavio Gomez. Salvador Lozano, of Costa Rica, by virtue of his knockout at the hands of Betulio Gonzalez, lost his hold on tenth position, the spot being garnered by Thailand's Chartchai Chionoi, winner over Kenjo Endo.

The flyweights have a new number one contender in Betulio Gonzalez, of Venezuela.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Name	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
G. G. Maldonado	4/71	5	4	0	1	1
Paterson, N. J.						
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Hal Burton	8/71	6	6	0	0	3
Seattle, Wash.						
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Harold Weston	7/70	17	14	2	1	4
New York, N. Y.						
WELTERWEIGHT						
Terry Summerhays	4/70	13	10	2	1	2
Canada						
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Chuck Wilburn	10/70	10	8	1	1	4
Cleveland, Ohio						
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Tony Romero	5/71	9	7	2	0	1
Los Angeles, Cal.						
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Arturo Pineda	3/71	12	11	1	0	8
Mexico						
FLYWEIGHT						
Salvatore Vasquez	7/72	5	5	0	0	1
Corpus Christi, Texas						

FICKLE FATE HAS GIVEN MANY GREATS "BUM RAPS"

By TED CARROLL

"MANY are called but few are chosen" goes the ancient aphorism which can be paraphrased into "Some are remembered and some are forgotten." For reasons not always clear, some boxing champions—and they are not always the best ones—retain a lingering hold on fame while others are quickly embraced by chill oblivion.

This champion of a generation ago defeated Billy Conn, Vince Dundee three times, Archie Moore, Solly Krieger, Lou Brouillard, Ken Overlin twice, Ben Jeby, Al Gainer, Tommy Freeman, Lloyd Marshall, Oscar Rankins, Nate Bolden and Babe Risko.

Included in this rundown are nine world champions. He won 106 of 127 matches and took on all comers. You rarely will find him listed among the outstanding middleweights of all time, but few 160-pounders can equal his record.

His name was Teddy Yarosz. He won the middleweight championship in 1934, and lost it to Babe Risko a year later. He is typical of those world champions, claimed by obscurity, whose lack of recognition is contradicted by the record book.

Yarosz could have been a casualty of the Pittsburgh smoke-screen long-lamented by baseball superstar Roberto Clemente and, in former years, by boxing greats Billy Conn and Harry Greb.

Like Yarosz, these were Pittsburgh products, all but the ballplayer being born there.

Yarosz's reputation might have been more durable but for a shocking knockout defeat at the hands of then unknown Babe Risko, an obscure Navy champion, on New Year's Day, 1935. People do all kinds of things on New Year's Eve and what Teddy was doing on this festive occasion has never been disclosed. But fight people of the time could find no other explanation for such a surprise. This had been a non-title match, so to further confound the know-it-alls, Risko made it stick by winning a decision and the championship from the clever Pittsburgher. In a third encounter a year later, Yarosz caught up with his Nemesis via a decision. By this time it was too late, since Risko had been dethroned by Freddie Steele.

Like the murky haze of his hometown, the Risko setbacks have shadowed an unusually bright record. Teddy Yarosz certainly deserves more attention when any list of the outstanding middleweights is presented.

Somewhat belatedly, the upstate New York hamlet of Herkimer got around to holding a day for its most celebrated son, Lou Ambers, former lightweight champion of the world, Herkimer hasn't been heard from since Ambers, the 'Herkimer Hurricane', called it a day in the ring 30 ago. After years of waiting for something else to happen the town's good citizens at last realized that a world champion boxer comes along but once and Lou Ambers Day resulted.

Ambers was a contemporary of two of the best little men of all time, Tony Canzoneri and Henry Armstrong. Publicity-wise, they dominated their divisions. It would seem that a man capable of beating both of them would have received a greater share of renown but this was not the case with Ambers.

Lou won the lightweight championship for the first time from Canzoneri, who had previously beaten him, in a showdown for the crown left vacant by Barney Ross.

In winning it a second time, he recaptured it from Hammering Henry, who, already the feather and welterweight titlist, had made Ambers the third stop on his way to winning the "triple crown".

In his first match with Canzoneri, Ambers, a former sparmate, had been intimidated by the idea of fighting his erstwhile idol and employer.

In the second match he had overcome this psychological block and won Tony's title. Two knockdowns by Henry had been the margin in his surprisingly strong effort against Armstrong in the first match. The second had been decided in his favor when Armstrong was penalized several rounds by the referee.

Be that as it may, not many boxers can point to title-winning achievements against legends of the stature of Canzoneri and Armstrong. But while they are never omitted from any list of ring immortals, Ambers is rarely included. He seems to deserve something better that the go-by he is given when "out standing" lists are compiled.

If you ask George Gainford, veteran trainer and former adviser to Sugar Ray Robinson, who Robinson's toughest early opponent was, he won't hesitate in naming Marty Servo.

At corresponding stages of their careers there was little to choose between the good-looking lad from Schenectady N.Y. and the Harlem Wonder.

When Servo won the welterweight championship from Red Cochrane in 1946 it marked his 51st fight with but two defeats, both of them to Sugar Ray!

Fate dealt harshly with Servo, who died in 1969. In an over-the-weight "money match" with middleweight Rocky Graziano, which he lost, Marty suffered a nose injury that did not respond to treatment. With Servo hardpressed by Robinson in the role of No. 1 contender, Servo's manager, Al Weill, stalled as long as he could before announcing his boxer's retirement. Servo was never able to defend the title he had won and how he would have done with Sugar Ray in a third try, had not injury curtailed his career, is conjectural.

In the two times they met, Robinson had to go all out to win and in both cases there were some dissenting votes. Recollections of his two performances against the man who went on to become known as "the greatest boxer of all time" should be sufficient to set Servo apart from the more "anonymous" champions.

When former light heavyweight champion Melino Bettina came to the end of the road, the Hudson Valley town of Beacon, deep in Rip Van Winkle country in upstate New York, lapsed gently back into the slumbrous ways of Washington Irving's long distance sleeper. Unlike many other fighters, Bettina still lives in the town he put on the map, as the Beacon Southpaw.

When the subject of left handed boxers is brought up, the late Lew Tendler never escapes mention and there are nostalgic accolades for Lou Brouillard, Young Corbett 3rd, George KO Chaney and some kind memories of Chuck Davey, presently Michigan Boxing Commissioner.

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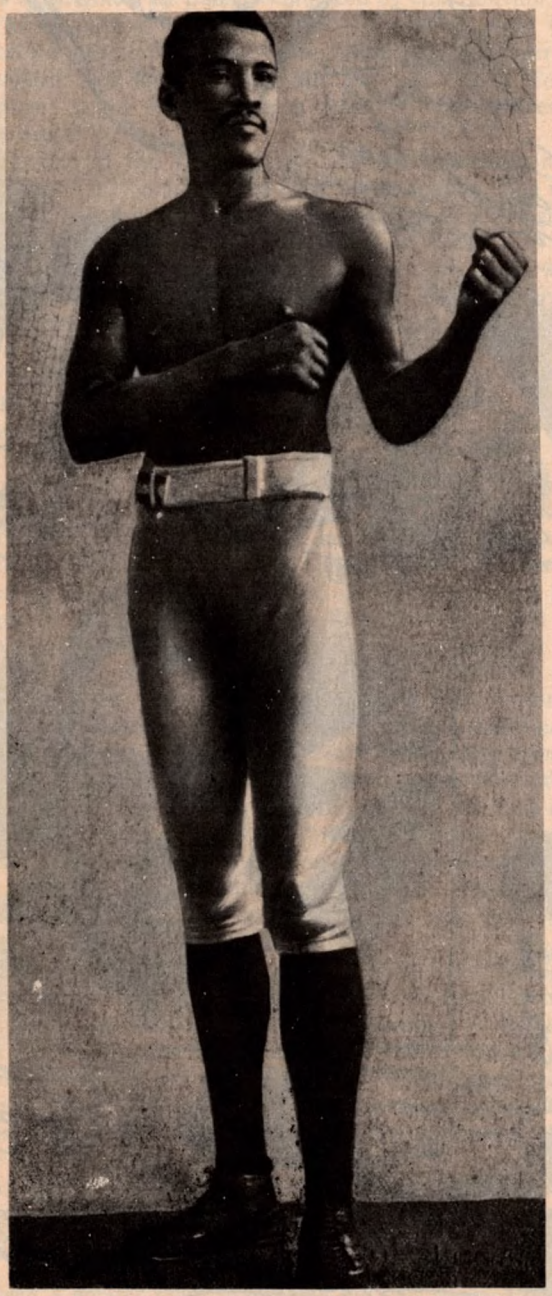
John Henry Lewis was a great lightheavy
Best of the "Big" Southpaws was Nselio Bettina
Lew Ambers defeated Tony Canzoneri and Henry Armstrong
Teddy Yarosz defeated world champion
Midget Wolgast was a boxing lightning streak!
Marty Servo was Sugar Ray's toughest foe
TED BROWN

PETER JACKSON, BLACK TITAN

Sullivan Drew Color Line to Keep Away From Master Boxer

By MARTIN SIEGEL



PETER JACKSON

GEORGE GODFREY: So long as I had to be beaten, I'm glad I was beaten by the best man in the world. For, mark my words, Peter Jackson can whip any man in the world, white or black, and some day he'll prove it.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN: I hereby challenge any and all bluffers who have been trying to make capital at my expense to fight me. . . . But in this challenge I include all fighters. . .who are white. I will not fight a Negro. I never have, and never shall.

How deplorable that names like John L. Sullivan and James J. Corbett remain nearly as familiar today as they were in their own lifetime while Peter Jackson, an all-time great, is practically forgotten.

When Peter fought in the "gay nineties" his color made him a national menace and probably kept him from winning the heavyweight championship of the world. John L., legendary hero who could "whip any man born of woman," invented the *color line*, which he apparently hid behind to avoid facing Jackson.

Given the racial prejudice of his era, the miracle is that Jackson achieved as much as he did.

He became the first black man to win the Australian and British Empire heavyweight championships. Even more important, he never failed to conduct himself as a gentleman in and out of the ring.

Peter Jackson was born in St. Croix, Virgin Islands, on July 3, 1861, emigrating to Australia with his parents when he was six. He grew up to be a strikingly handsome, well-built, 6-ft., 195 pounder with a great talent for boxing. He was very young when he learned the manly art at Larry Foley's boxing hall in Sydney.

Foley had been a successful middleweight in his native England and when he settled in Australia he designed his program to include the techniques of both the old bare-knuckle London Prize Ring style with that of the newly developed Marquis of Queensberry.

His students, among whom were counted not only Jackson, but his famous rival Frank Slavin, Bob Fitzsimmons, Young Griffo and others, fought each other in exhibitions that were "exhibitions" in name only.

There were plenty of good fighters in Australia in those days and lots of interest in the game of counters and swings as shown by the fact that Sullivan's top three contenders—Jackson, Slavin and Joe Goddard—all hailed from the land down under.

On September 25, 1886, when he was 25, Jackson became the heavyweight champion of Australia, knocking out Tom Lees in 30 rounds. Immediately a clamor went up for Frank Slavin to restore the championship to the whites but negotiations stalled over the site.

Slavin wanted Melbourne while Jackson preferred Sydney. The impasse proved to be unbridgeable.

Slavin finally accused Jackson of stalling and sailed for Europe, calling himself the "true" Australian champion.

With his best contender gone and Joe Goddard just beginning, Jackson rolled over his opposition for the next year and a half. In early 1888, however, the news of the big money to be earned in America caught his ear and he sailed for San Francisco.

Jackson was royally greeted by members of the newly formed California Athletic Club, who were active in promoting boxing on the West Coast. Arrangements were made for his first test, his opponent being one of the toughest, George Godfrey.

Known as "Old Chocolate of Chelsea," Godfrey then was 35 and the unofficial black heavyweight champion of American though in size he was only a light heavyweight (5′-10½″, 170). Even this late in his career, few whites would chance an encounter with him so he had to content himself with a big reputation and an empty wallet.

For the meager purse of $1500, with $1200 going to the winner, the contest was held at San Francisco on August 24, 1888. Jackson with youth, height and weight on his side, KO'd "Old Chocolate" in the 19th round. Though outclassed, Godfrey fought gamely and was magnanimous in defeat telling reporters afterward that he had lost to the best fighter around.

Jackson's next match was with a white man, this time a bruiser named Joe McAuliffe.

McAuliffe was relatively unknown, yet he, too, drew the color line. He backed off but agreed to fight only if the $3000 purse he fought for winner-take-all. (It was Jackson's view that $500 be set aside for the loser.)

Again the match took place at San Francisco. The name "California Negro" became a tag for Jackson. On December 27, 1888, McAuliffe fought well for most of the 23 rounds he lasted. Toward the end, however, the toll of Jackson's shots turned him into a chopping block. He was a mess when he was counted out. His pig-headedness ruled out his getting even a cent for his pain and effort.

Early in 1889, Jackson added a third name to his list, an easy win over his most celebrated antagonist, Patsy Cardiff, the "Peoria Giant," the first man able to fight the mighty John L. Sullivan to a draw. John broke an arm. Cardiff fell in ten, the ease of the victory making Jackson a top contender.

With a common opponent, a direct comparison could be drawn between John L. and Jackson and the idea of a match started wires humming.

The California Athletic Club informed Sullivan that it would sponsor Jackson should he choose to defend against him. But John L., "always on the level," turned the offer down. He was busy training for his defense against Jake Kilrain.

Sullivan had been shoddy in his recent fights. But on July 8, 1889, in his finest performance, he knocked out Kilrain in 75 rounds at Richburg, Mississippi.

Harshly disciplined by his trainer Bill Muldoon, Sullivan had shed 30 pounds, foresworn alcohol and trained to the peak of condition. The 75 rounds he took to finish Kilrain were misleading. He could have downed him far sooner had he not wanted to torture him in the 107 degree heat and show the world what endurance he had.

Afterward his popularity soared to greater heights than ever. Prominent sportswriters like John Boyle O'Reilly and Charles Dana pictured him as a living fusion of the gods, the only man able to maintain white supremacy in pugilism.

Undaunted, Jackson kept pressing Sullivan to defend against him. A little over four months later, in London on November 11, he defeated Jem Smith in two rounds on a foul, to become the British Empire heavyweight champion.

After being away from Australia for nearly two years, Jackson decided to return home via America. On May 15, 1890, at Chicago, he won a 5-round decision over Denver Ed Smith. The American press beat the drum for a match between Peter and Sullivan, but John L. would not be moved.

Free from Muldoon, and with his reputation in the skies, Sullivan was back at the bar talking more of an acting career than of defending his American championship.

Back in Australia, Jackson next took on Goddard, colloquially known as the "Barrier Champion." Goddard was about the same age as Jackson and Slavin, but when he began his career the other two were already well known.

Jackson was under trained, or perhaps he under-estimated Goddard. When the two met at Melbourne's Crystal Palace on October 21, 1890, it ended in a sizzling eight-round draw.

Soon after the contest with Goddard, the high cost of Slavin's popularity led him into his most famous fight, that with Jim Corbett, at San Francisco, May 21, 1891.

That year Corbett had become the recognized white American contender for Sullivan's crown by his impressive triumphs over Joe Choynski, Dominick McCaffrey and Jake Kilrain, the latter knocked out in 6 rounds. Needing a name opponent for the leverage to challenge the Boston Strong Boy, Corbett's backers approached Slavin but found him too expensive.

Reluctantly they had to settle for Jackson, who was equal in fame but less expensive. Articles were signed calling for a total purse of $10,000 with $8500 going to the winner. As a holdover from bare-knuckle days, the California Athletic Club, which promoted the bout, insisted it be a fight to the finish.

Jackson entered the fight with two handicaps, mental and physical. He had never seen Corbett fight while Gentleman Jim had seen Jackson's performances against Godfrey, McAuliffe and Cardiff.

Corbett, a keen student of boxing, was far superior to the plodding roundhouse sluggers characteristic of the day. His speed, cunning and cleverness made him a match for Jackson.

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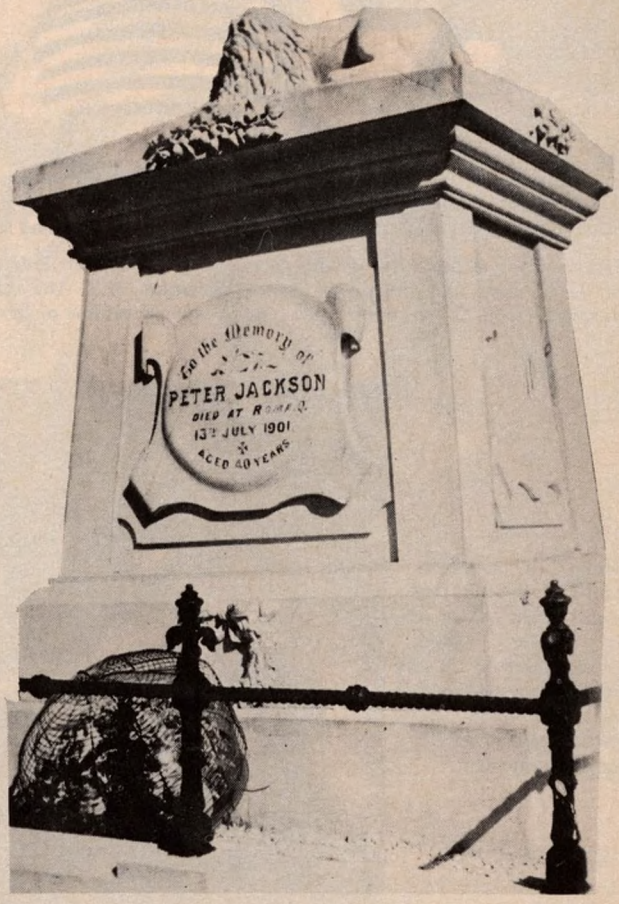
Here is the memorial to Jackson at Toowing Cemetery, Roma, Queensland, Australia. It was erected by his friends. Jackson was elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame in 1956.

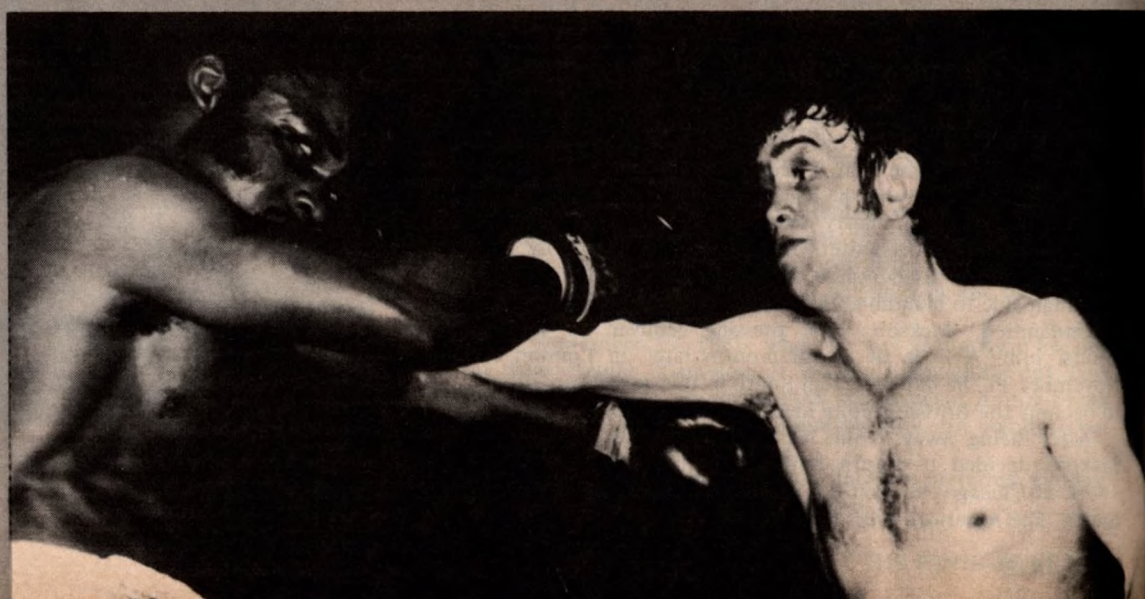


RING CAMERA CLICKS

Seattle's Larry Buck, who doesn't do badly as a light heavyweight, shadow boxes in a downtown gym, as seen on the left. Then, right, put a comb and scissors in his hands and he's a hair stylist, working on Miss Bonnie Stahmer.

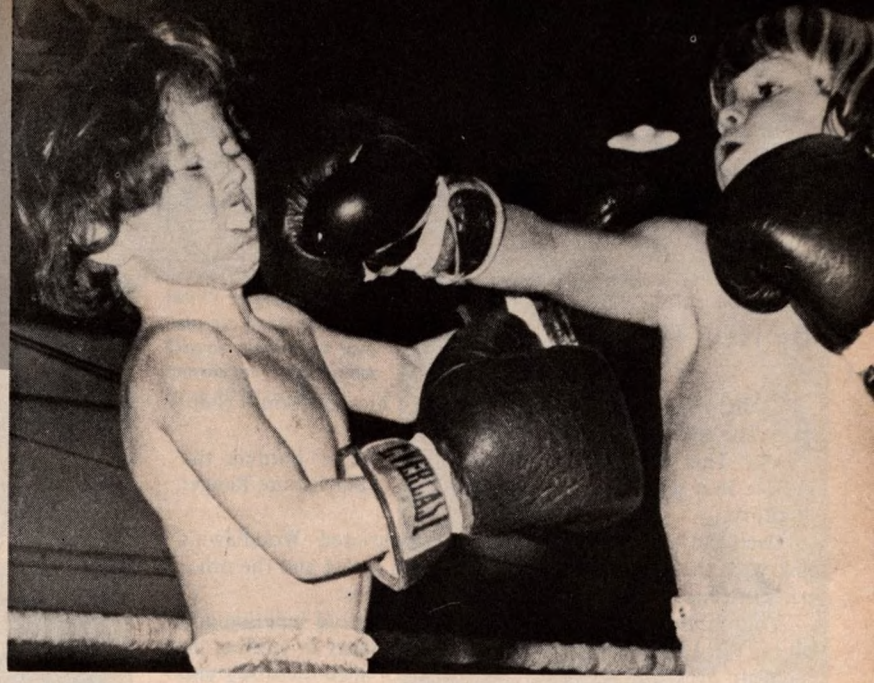
Two young ring hopefuls do a bit of clowning. On the left is Mike Nixon, hard-hitting middleweight from Binghamton, N.Y. The chap landing the right is light heavy Mike Quarry, younger brother of Jerry.

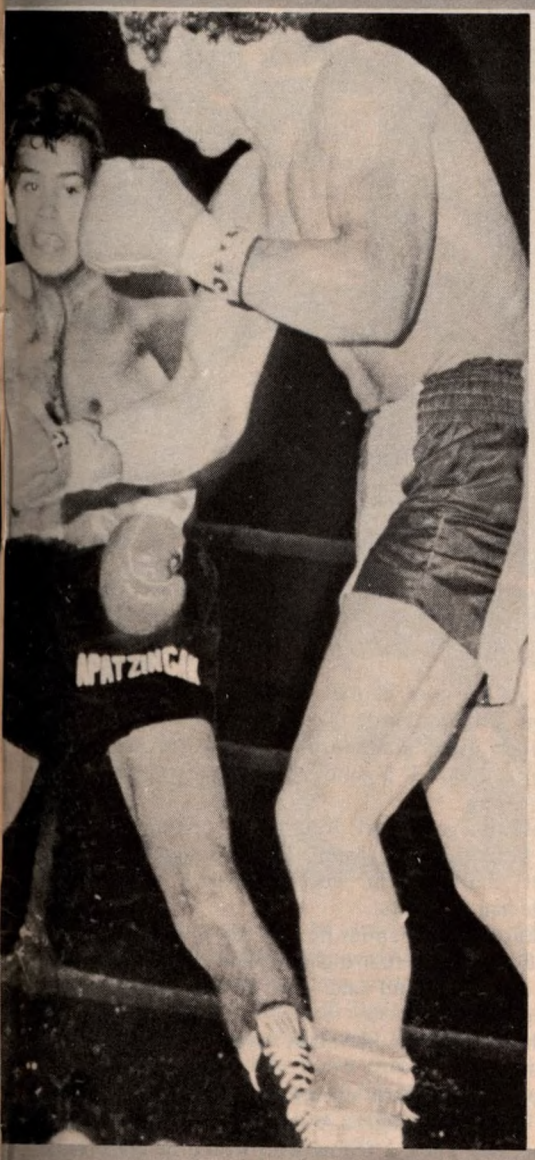
Radames Cabrera celebrates knockout victory over Lennie Harden at Madison Square Garden by leaping into arms of manager Wilson Larroseaux



Briton Johnny Frankham (right) lands straight right to chin of Tom (The Bomb) Bethea during their light heavyweight meeting in London, but Bethea outpointed his foe in 10 rounds.

51-pound Jason Harbison (right) of Knoxville, Tenn. lands a right to the cheek of 45-pound Jim Mullins, Morristown, Tenn., in a special weight division bout of East Tennessee Golden Gloves tourney in Knoxville.





Mexico's Ricardo Arredondo (left) fends off blow from Jose Marin of Costa Rica during their bout, won by Arredondo via a 10-round decision, in Mexico City.

George Chuvalo (left) is in the act of scoring a six-round TKO over Charlie Chase at Vancouver, B.C. Chuvalo thus retained his Canadian heavyweight title.

THEY DON'T MAKE 'EM LIKE COULON'S ANYMORE

By NEIL MILBERT

CHICAGO—It's an old building on Chicago's South Side. The address is 1154 E. 63rd St.

This is a black neighborhood and it borders the ghetto. In a sense it is part of the ghetto. . .Blackstone Ranger territory.

Overhead you hear the rattle of the elevated—Woodlawn's link with the Loop, the Gold Coast, Rush Street and the other parts of Chicago described in tourist brochures.

You climb the timeworn staircase of the old building and on the third floor you stop and open the door.

Your eyes are greeted by the sight of men sweating and struggling—with themselves and one another.

Perspiration saturates the sweatshirt of Ernie Terrell, once recognized as a top heavyweight contender. He greets the visitor and returns to the drudgery of sit-ups.

Off in another corner, Eddie Perkins, former junior welterweight champ, is showing a kid how to hit the heavy bag.

In the ring a young Irishman named Martin McGarry is sparring, preparing for the big amateur tournaments in Chicago—the C.Y.O. and Golden Gloves.

The walls are alive with pictures and with diamond cards that turn back the clock.

Remember when they fought at the Savoy on South Parkway and 47th? The Rainbo Arena at Lawrence and Clark? Marigold Gardens on West Grace? St. Nicholas Arena in New York?

A little prayer is pasted on one wall: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change. . .courage to change the things I can. . .wisdom to know the difference."

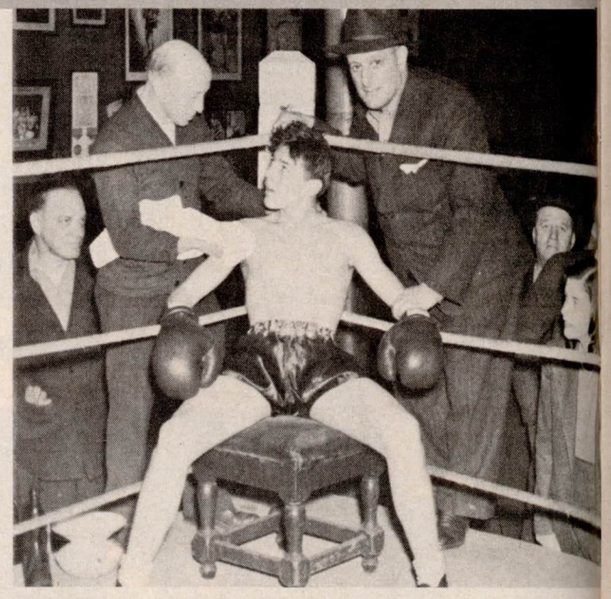
Seated at a little table is Marie Coulon, an aging lady who along with her husband, Johnny, has taken this advice to heart. It is their lifestyle.

"Everyone gets along here," she tells you, interrupting her conversation with Buzz Ness, a man in his 30s, who had dropped in to pay a visit. "We have never had any trouble in any way, shape or form. I love these kids. We've had a lot of fun. They all come back to see us like Buzz here. I can remember when his mother and father came and watched before he was born."

You don't curse in Coulon's Gym and you don't get rowdy.

"I will not tolerate it," Mrs. Coulon says firmly.

"We opened in 1923. This was the silk stocking district then. One day somebody approached my husband and told him 'there's a nice gym at 63d and University, but it isn't being run right; why don't you take it over?'



Johnny Coulon (left) gives a little advice to boxer Stanley Herold as Herbie Schoenbaum looks on in Coulon's Gym a few years back.

"At first John didn't want to, the place was so dirty. But a man came up and gave it a good cleaning and we opened for business.

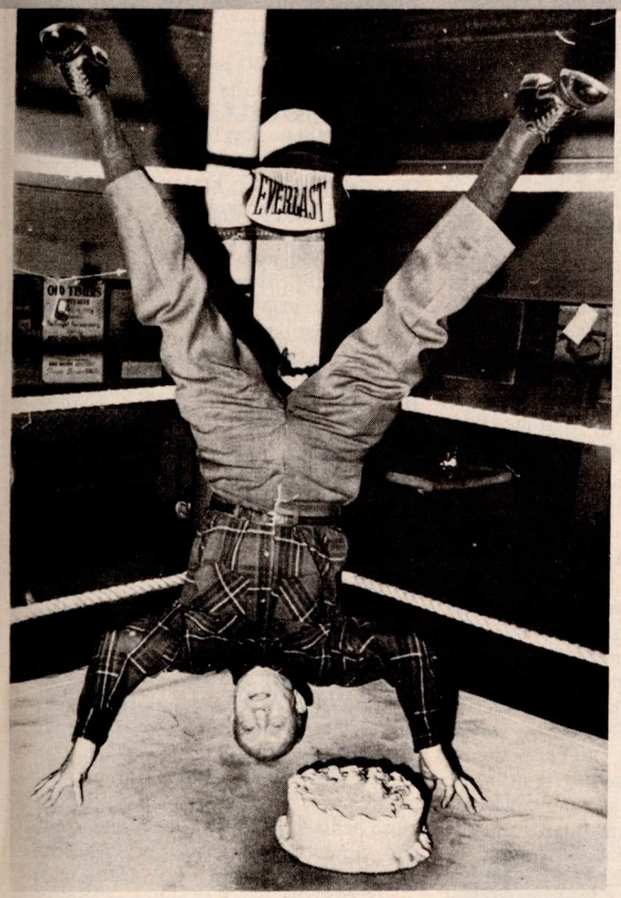
"We got off to a good start. John taught boxing and he was one of the best in the business. Even though he was the bantamweight champion he doesn't bear a mark of his profession. He had 96 fights.

"I didn't know a thing about boxing. My mother and father were opposed to it. The first night we had a show John gave me a pencil and paper and said 'take down the boys' names and their weights.'

"From that night on I made every match Coulon's Gymnasium sponsored.

"I was a private secretary when I met John. I used to go up to Paw Paw Lake in Michigan. A couple who were friends of mine told me they knew a fellow who would be crazy about me, but I didn't want to meet him. Finally, after about six months of trying, they arranged a dinner and, unknown to me, he was invited.

This was in Coblenz, Germany in 1921. Coulon teaches some members of U.S. Army occupation forces the art of jiu-jitsu.



"John told me later he was afraid to talk very much because he had heard I was so particular about my English."

Two years later the Coulons were married.

"I never saw my husband fight," Mrs. Coulon reminisces. "His professional career was over when we met. I've seen a lot of great ones train here down through the years—Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey, Gene Tunney, Jim Braddock, Cassius Clay and Sugar Ray Robinson. We've gotten along beautifully with all of them.

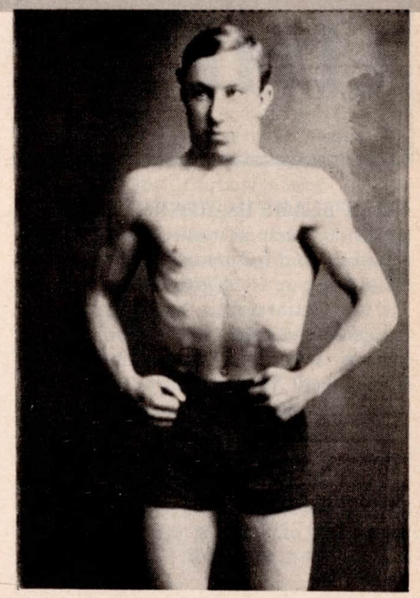
"Johnny is 83 now and he isn't as active as he once was. He always did sleep until about 10 o'clock tho. I'm the early bird—I get up at 6 o'clock and go to mass down at St. Peter's. He likes to read and watch television until about 2 every morning.

"To this day no one has ever lifted John. Every one of those champions I mentioned tried and not one succeeded. Let's talk more about my husband, He's the important one, not me."

You leave Coulon's Gym in the same frame of mind as when you were a boy and just finished reading The Last of the Mohicans. You are not unique.

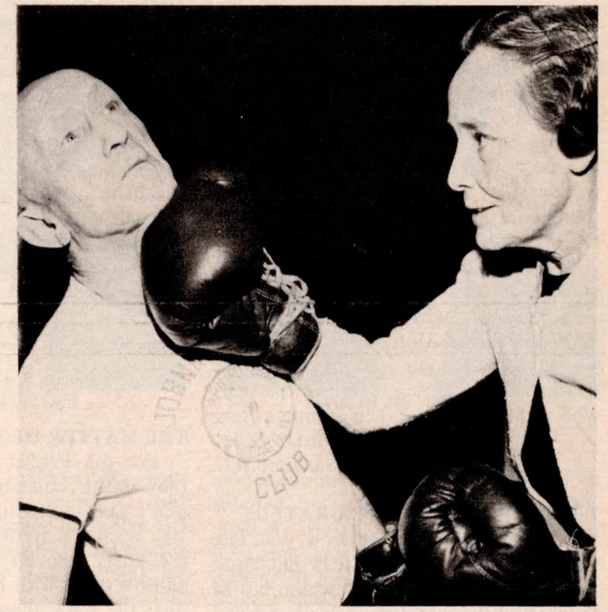
They don't make 'em like Coulon's Gym any more—they stopped years ago.

Last December 7 in Chicago, the sportswriters got together and put on a testimonial dinner for Johnny Coulon. And everyone knew it was also a testimonial for Marie.



Here's a good shot of Johnny back in 1907. Coulon reigned as bantamweight titleholder from 1910 to 1914.

In celebration of his 80th birthday in 1969, Coulon did a headstand in the ring at his gym. He enjoys teaching youngsters the fistic art.



Coulon takes a love tap from his wife, Marie, his wife of more than 50 years.

He is the heart of Coulon's Gym. She is its soul.

Now for a look back at Johnny Coulon of the ring. He was born on February 12, 1889, in Toronto. That John is a Canadian is little known. His blood lines are French and Irish. His dad, Pop Coulon, was his first manager. John made his debut as a pro in 1905, right here in Chicago, with a six-round victory over Young Bennie.

In 1910, Coulon outpointed Jim Kendrick, the British bantam champion, in 10 rounds at New Orleans. A rematch

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PUNCH LINES

DON'T BLAME US, HENRY!

I am a structural ironworker here and I work hard for my take-home. Once in a while my old love for fights leads me into extravagance. I paid ten dollars to see Frazier belt the hell out of this kid Daniels. Why did you mislead me, with hooey about Terry's great KO record and how he might hang one on of the champion? It was a joke. I wuz robbed.

Henry Jaegger
New Orleans, La.

Editor's Note—Henry, The Ring never ran a line of puff for this mismatch. If you fooled yourself, blame Henry Jaegger.

THIS INVOLVES SPARRING PARTNERS

In regards to editorial in the November issue of Ring Magazine, I would have to argue against the statement: "In any event, there should be a law barring matches between sparring partners."

I do not really think that Jimmy Ellis is now Clay's sparring partner. If not, then there should be no argument over their fight.

I recall Cassius Clay being a sparring partner for Ingemar Johansson and Ernie Terrell. If so, why did Ring Magazine support a Terrell-Ali fight?

You should put an article in the magazine concerning sparring partners who went on to beat their former bosses.

Brian Zelley
Nanaimo B.C.

THINKS FOREMAN OVER-RATED

I cannot possibly see how you rate George Foreman so high! It is ridiculous. He may be undefeated but whom has he fought? I have seen two of his bouts and he was unimpressive. In his latest against Luis Pires, an unrated fighter, he could not put him down. His punches went wild, throwing roundhouses yet still he couldn't put him down. George is overrated. His fight against Chuvalo is what got him where he is yet Chuvalo in your ratings is not in the top ten.

Keoui Cassidy,
Derwood, Maryland

WHAT'S THIS ABOUT FOURIE

The fight fraternity is amazed by The Ring's high rating of Pierre Fourie. We know that our national light heavy and heavyweight champion, Sarel Aucamp, is streets ahead of Fourie as a fighter. Fourie has continually refused to meet Aucamp and I don't blame him as his chances of beating Aucamp are slender. Aucamp (173) has just scored a lop sided win over Armando Zanini (202) of Italy. A few years back, Fourie looked a good prospect but I am afraid that he is now on the decline.

We have one of the best bantam cum feather in the world in Arnold Taylor. Taylor has just returned from a 5 bout unbeaten tour of Australia. We just have no one in the two divisions to fight him here hence all his opponents are imported. Last week he scored a really good win over the Spanish champion, Luis Aisa. For this bout Taylor scaled 120 and Aisa 129. Taylor, was described in Australia as one of the finest bantamweights in the world.

Doug Miller
Johannesberg, South Africa

A BOOST WELL DESERVED

I was saddened by the death of Dick Tiger. I feel that he was not only a credit to boxing but a credit to the human race. His ring accomplishments are well known so I do not feel the need to delve into them. Rather, I would prefer that the memory of the man be spoken of. He was a person who had little else but praise for any man he faced in the ring. A man who smiled in defeat. A man who concerned himself with his family above all else including himself. A man who stood by his convictions when things were difficult in his home land. A man.

Jerry Glick
Brooklyn

THE MATTER OF STIFFS

For the Frazier-Daniels joke, for the Clay-Mathis comedy, I blame you. Why don't you holler and tell the suckers to stay away? Why don't you holler about the stiffs who go around this country, and overseas, with horrible records? Why does the WBA allow all those stiffs, plain phonies, getting money under false pretenses, to continue taking matches and why aren't the promoters punished? A champion takes a month or two longer to accept a challenge and the WBA takes away, or tries to take away, his title. But the promoters can hire bums who can't fight a lick, and nothing is done about it. I, for one, am through being a sucker.

Jay Bruckner
Omaha, Neb.

Editor's Note—We do not run plugs for fights to come. We cannot govern the fighters and the promoters. We tell it as it is. The matter of stiffs is truly a serious one and the WBA, instead of merely telling about how many of them there are, should name names and name the promoters. The Ring is doing all it can to rectify this situation. We hope Bill Brennan, of the WBA, will get after the phonies.

WHY JOE FRAZIER?

Concerning The Ring selection of Fighter of the Year. Why Joe Frazier? I can understand the Frazier-Clay bout as Fight of the Year and the 15th round as Round of the Year. The fight certainly created world wide interest. Of that there is no doubt. However, outside of the U.S.A. the heavyweight situation is of little interest, and I feel you should look at it from this angle when making the award. Buchanan No. 2? I can't see why. He beat Laguna (in the Garden) something he had done previously, and beat Ruben Navarro, and Carlos Hernandez. Still, like Frazier, Buchanan did fight in Madison Square Garden. There is very strong feeling in fight circles here and I noticed it in England, that to receive The Ring Fighter of the Year award, the favoured fighter has to fight in New York. I refer you back to 1968 when quite obviously the Fighter of the Year was Lionel Rose, yet Benvenuti received the award. May I respectfully suggest that you consider very carefully how your awards are given. On the score of ring achievement, Ruben Olivares must come near the top with Jose Napoles close behind. Both have far greater claim and should rate ahead of Ken Buchanan. Bob Foster in 1971 did not fight a rated contender, yet you rate him over Napoles and Olivares.

These are observations from a non-American, and as your magazine has world wide distribution, I trust you will look at our point of view.

Don Marks
Jannali, N.S.W. Australia

Editor's Note—The Ring "sees it as it is." It makes every effort to give credit where credit is due. There is much anti-Frazier feeling even in the United States, much of it overseas. He was emphatically the Fighter of the Year. Emphatically. There was no dissenting voice in the staff meeting which designated the various annual honors. Napoles and Olivares have received the unstinted praise of The Ring. Buchanan is one of the most pleasing boxers of the last 30 years. But we find strong anit-Buchanan feeling in letters from England and Australia. One thing you cannot say, absolutely cannot, with justice, is that The Ring is guilty of prejudice. We "see it as it is", with malice toward none.

The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH – Amateur Tom Ostpau got involved in a hairy situation during the Lansing, Michigan, Golden Gloves Tournament. It seems the local officials permitted a few youngsters to compete with long hair, providing they had it tied back in a knot. Tom's problem stemmed from a punch which unknotted his coiffure and caused the referee to stop the bout until Ostpau's cornerman cut his locks. He declined the impromptu hair cut and was declared a loser by T.K.O.

The Pennsylvania Athletic Commission ruled against former welterweight contender Gypsy Joe Harris in his effort to regain a boxing license. Joe's license was revoked in 1968 when it was discovered he was blind in his right eye. The Liberty Alliance for the Blind, which spearheaded Harris' effort, stated that the case would be taken to court.

Something new has been added to boxing by the Electronic Sports Engineering Co. of Cleveland, Ohio. They recently introduced to boxing the SOCTRON computer scoring system. The system combines computer accuracy with instant display techniques which enable the spectator to track the scoring from start to colorful finish of each round. Three specially-trained scorers housed in sound-proof booths at ringside, working in concert with a master controller, program the computer through the use of instant impulse keyboards which enable them to total the progress of each boxer in the ring. The resultant scoring is flashed instantly on the electric overhead scoreboards. When one minute remains in a round, amber lights mounted on the ringposts turn on to alert both fighters, the referee and the spectators, then change to flashing red lights with 20 seconds to go to add to the excitement. The referee will not be involved in the scoring of the bout, other than to assess penalties for rules infractions.

The SOCTRON concept has been in the development stage since 1960 and is now considered in an operational position. Boxing cards are being scheduled in a number of Northeastern Ohio cities during the coming year.

New Jersey Deputy Boxing Commissioner Morris Mogelever informs us of a new boxing rule in his state. "If a contestant has been knocked or has fallen out of the ring during a contest, the referee shall at once order the other boxer to a neutral corner and shall inform the timekeeper to suspend time until directed to resume time from the point of interruption for the duration of the round. The contestant who has fallen or has been knocked out of the ring must return to the ring unassisted by his seconds, and the referee at his discretion, or guided by the expert judgment of the attending physician, shall have the contest continue, unless he stops the contest and awards the other boxer the decision by a technical knockout."

Two of the main reasons why Tijuana, Mexico, is back on the fistic map are Ernie Fuentes and Ignacio Huizar, who are promoting the best action to hit this Latin area in many a year.

CHATTER . . . Veteran fight trainer Harry Wiley passed away. Harry was best known as the handler of Sugar Ray Robinson . . . Dean Chance has called it quits in baseball but has promised to keep active in sports as a boxing manager and promoter . . . Junior lightweight contender Ray Lampkin has become a hot attraction for Miami Beach promoter Mel Ziegler. Lampkin demolished local Nestor Rojas and hopes to make Miami his stamping grounds . . . The British Amateur Boxing Association failed to supply an opponent for American heavyweight Duane Bobick in a U.S.-British boxing tournament. They stated "We just do not have a man good enough" . . . Former middleweight king Johnny Wilson has a bookshop in Boston . . . Boxing public relations man Bill Ebel is now sports editor of the Maine North Country newspaper . . . A new Puerto Rican heavyweight to watch is Paterson, N.J.'s G.G. Maldonado. This undefeated boxer is managed by Jim Wallach, Bill Marotta and Tony Rieles . . . An ex-champion was arrested on charges of carrying brass knuckles and illegal drugs . . . Oldtimer Seminole Pete Nebo, who fought from 1922-1936, is in poor health in a Florida State hospital . . . Veteran trainer Bill Duffy has opened a boxing school in Boston . . . Joe Garfield, who handles Dorman Crawford and Harold Richardson, is now commuting between Miami Beach and New York. Garfield is advising local promoter Ziegler in promotions in and around Miami. . .

Lightweight king Ken Buchanan was named Sportsman of the Year by the British press . . . Ray Lunny III is back in action after serving six months in the Marines. Ray is also continuing his education at San Jose State . . . Rumor has it that Paterson, New Jersey, will be back in business with Duke Stefano matchmaking for Schoninger Enterprises. This time they'll use the brand new air-conditioned Boy's Club, which is situated in a nice part of town . . . Tommy Quinn, ex-New York amateur bantamweight champion of the Twenties, died . . . It looks like Mike Morton's tiger Andy Kendall will fight the winner of the Foster-Rondon light heavyweight title contest in Miami Beach this summer . . . Promoter Babe Griffin has brought back boxing to the Circle Star Theatre in San Carlos, Calif. . . . Milwaukee middleweight Billy Braggs received $48,000 from the Model Cities program for his Braggs-Brooks Physical Fitness Center. Billy and the City agreed on insurance which was needed to open the center . . . P.R.F. Enterprises is suing Cassius Clay for $11,000 for failure to appear at an alleged boxing exhibition in

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ERNIE FUENTES

IGNACIO HUIZAR

Q & A QUESTIONS ANSWERS

Q. In this area many say Cassius Clay beat Frazier and was robbed. I always am open to the truth and I never have found The Ring to hide the truth. Please tell me, what did your staff think of the decision? Do you think Cassius could win the rematch, or is he through?

Jeff Crowther
Monroe, La.

A. **Clay and Frazier fought 15 rounds. In the 15th round Cassius hit the deck. He was whipped and the unanimous decision of referee Mercante and the two judges was just, and 100 percent correct. However, Clay has a numerous following. To this group, he still is the king, and it believes that this king can do no wrong and cannot be beaten. Frazier helps the Clay support by being something of a hermit champion. He talks little, he refuses to confide in people who seek only the good for boxing and should know what is coming off. Could Cassius beat Joe in the return match, if it happens? It's possible.**

Q. I notice that there are comparatively few light heavyweights of class. What is wrong with the division and its 175-pound limit? Bob Foster hasn't made a decent living out of the class. As soon as a boxer wins the light heavy title he wants to move up into the heavies. Shouldn't you have a special story about this?

Irving Rosner
Paterson, N.J.

A. **The Ring has had stories about the light heavies and their problems. It is a "made" class, got up by a Chicago manager to accomodate Jack Root. The class does serve a purpose, as is indicated by the Foster-Rondon match in Miami Beach. But the fact remains that there aren't enough 175-pounders of real class to make the division attractive. A lot of light heavies fatten up to make the heavyweight class and the suet bothers them.**

Q. Suppose the welterweight champion of the world meets the lightweight champion. If the lightweight stops the welter, does that make him the welter title holder as well as the lightweight? Suppose the welter champion stops the lightweight, does that make the welter a two title man?

Theodore Kalaides
Atlanta, Ga.

A. **If the lightweight stops the welter, the winner becomes welter champion. If the welter stops the lightweight, it has no bearing on the titles.**

Q. Did Jack Johnson have the world heavyweight championship when he was stopped by Jess Willard? Was there some question as to the validity of the victory and the passing of the title to Willard? Was Willard the man who lost the title to Dempsey?

Sam Gallagher
Calgary, Can.

A. **Johnson was the champion when he was beaten by Willard. There were rumors of Johnson's quitting but these have no foundation in accepted fact. Willard lost the world heavyweight title to Dempsey, who lost it to Tunney, who retired unbeaten.**

Q. There seems to be a lot of difference concerning the relative ratings of Benny Leonard and Joe Gans for the all time lightweight leadership. My dad insists that Leonard was the greatest. In The Ring Record Book's ratings, Nat Fleischer makes Gans No. 1 and Leonard No. 2. Has The Ring ever decided this question?

J. J. Kleinschmidt
Bridgeport, Conn.

A. **John J. McGraw, onetime manager of the Giants, was a close friend of Gans in Baltimore. McGraw told Dan Daniel, of The Ring, "Only seldom was Gans in physical condition to do his best against a strong opponent. Gans lived carelessly. If he had taken care of himself the way Leonard took care of himself, Gans would have been undisputed No. 1." In short, McGraw gave it to Leonard. The Ring never has made a decision on that point.**

Q. In The Ring Record Book I see a very strange entry in Gans' fights. It says that on December 13, 1900, Terry McGovern stopped Gans in the second round. This must be a mistake. Is it?

Lewis Dayton
San Francisco, Cal.

A. **The entry in the book is correct. However, it is generally accepted that the fight was a fake.**

Q. In our neighborhood here in Los Angeles there is a barfly who insists that he is Kid Williams, onetime ring great. He has business cards identifying him as the onetime bantam champion. I have reason to doubt the truth of his claim. Where is Kid Williams living?

Frank Purslain
Wilmington, Cal.

A. **Kid Williams died in Baltimore on October 8, 1963. We have received letters from two other areas in California about men insisting they were Kid Williams. Williams (Johnny Gutenko) was born December 5, 1893, in Copenhagen, Denmark, and, had he survived, would be 78. This makes it possible for phonies to pose as the Kid.**

Q. Is Pete Herman still alive? I tried to see him on a recent visit to New Orleans but appeared to get the runaround.

James Elman
Cleveland, Ohio

A. **Pete Herman happily is very much alive. He is associated with the Boxing Commission in New Orleans.**

Q. Was there ever a champion named Spider Pladner? I am told that I am distantly related to him and that he is still alive, in France. If he was a champion, in which weight class?

Gustave Pladner
Montreal, Can.

A. **There most certainly was a champion named Emile (Spider) Pladner. In 1929 he won the world flyweight championship by stopping Frankie Genaro in one round. He later held the French bantam title. He had 122 fights, was born September 6, 1906, in Clermont-Ferrand, France.**

Q. I have been reading about a fighter named Carlos Ortiz. Is he the former lightweight champion? I read that he had retired rich and was running for public office among the Puerto Ricans in the Bronx section of New York. Is he on the comeback and why?

Joe Alterman
Newark, N.J.

A. **Yes, the Ortiz you read about is the former lightweight champion. Apparently things went wrong for him. When a former world champion comes back, fighting preliminary kids, it may be assumed that he has run into trouble. On the basis of earnings, Ortiz should be a man of wealth.**

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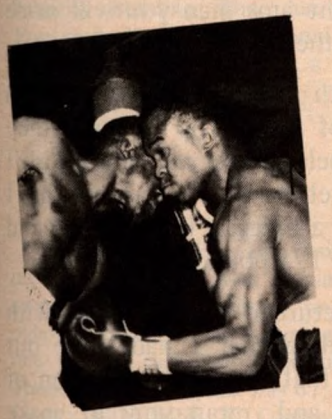

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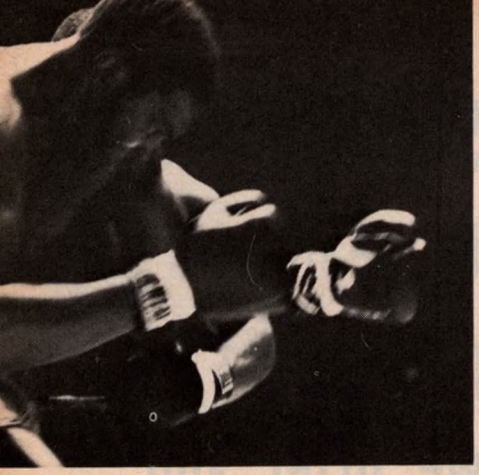

Charley Polite takes a few good socks from "Typhoid Fred" Lewis during their 10-rounder at Portland, Me., in which Lewis took a unanimous decision.

This photo was snapped a few seconds before Lewis (right) dropped Polite to the canvas with a right.

FRED LEWIS

VIETNAM VET "TYPHOID FRED" LEWIS A HOT NUMBER

BY JAMES MALCOLM

BOSTON, Mass.—Fred Lewis, light heavyweight in the US Air Force, has returned to the ring after a two year tour in Vietnam, with three quick victories at Portland, Maine, under his new manager, James Malcolm, a professor at Boston University.

Lewis fought three ten-rounders at Portland, beating George Johnson in 10; kayoing heavyweight Mose Harrell in one; and punching out a 10-round decision Charley Polite; who had 40 pounds on Lewis.

Lewis was to fight Jimmy Dupree last June in Maine, but it is alleged Dupree apparently heard about the punching power of Lewis and pulled out of the fight despite the fact that his manager and he had signed a contract.

While stationed in California Lewis defeated Chuck Leslie; Bobby Stinnato, Hank Casey, and Fred Roots, kayoed heavyweight Richie Gosha and lost to heavyweights Henry Clark, Roger Rischer and Bill McMurray.

Lewis who won a Pan-American crown in Brazil, for the USA, also was National AAU 178-pound champion; and fought Cassius Clay in the Cow Palace for the right to fight in the Olympics. Fred lost by one-point to Clay after having Cassius on the floor in the first round.

Malcolm offered ex-heavyweight king, Floyd Patterson $25,000 to fight Lewis, despite the fact that Lewis is a light heavyweight.

Men in the 175 pound class call Lewis "Typhoid Fred", and shy away from meeting him.

Lewis is a natural fighter who appears to make the right moves by instinct. There aren't too many boxers of this type. Incidentally, calling Lewis a boxer is no misnomer, as true boxing is basically his game.

"I regard myself as a very lucky man," Lewis told a local press conference on his return from Saigon.

"Lucky because I returned to this country with a profession already set up for me and my goals already established.

"Now I have to make opportunities for progress. I can fight. I can fight any man you will name among the Top Ten.

"With all the respect due to some of those Top Tenners, they don't belong over me, and I wish I could get the chance to prove that I am not a braggart but a trained and capable 175 pounder.

"I returned from Vietnam with the feeling that I had come out lucky, that I was in a position of health and reputation to make some interesting pay days.

"I'd like to go to New York and take on anybody Teddy Brenner picked for me in Madison Square Garden. I would bar nobody."

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

He's the last of the Mohicans on Broadway. He has the seniority. We're talking about the venerable Charley Rose. He still lives at the President Hotel on West 48th St. Rose was born on March 4, 1886, the day they lit up the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor. You can catch him daily as he makes the rounds, over to Jack Dempsey's, Meyer Chinsky's, down to The Ring office, then to Madison Square Garden. He's a bundle of energy and never tires talking about the boxing game at age 86.

Rose has been part and parcel of the Marquis of Queensberry sport. He was a boxer in his youth, one of the first to soldier in World War I, later continued his activity on many fronts from managing, training and even later on having a hand in 6-day bike racing when it was revived here several years ago.

He handled many famous scrappers of the past, including a number who became world champions. Rose was in the picture when Jack Fugazy became a promoter, which resulted in many big enterprises in New York. Charley was a close friend to counselor Roy Cohn, who, with Tom Bolan, were the backers of three fights involving Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson.

Broadway was loaded with fight personalities in the Roaring Twenties. Many fight managers had their offices there. Spots were the Putnam Building, now the Paramount, the Gaiety, the Publicity Building. Time has changed. They gradually have disappeared.

But little Charley, still a dynamo, keeps hustling here and there.

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On the same day, two well known members affiliated with boxing passed away. Jack "Doc" Moore, one of the oldest members of the boxing game, was one of the casualties. The other was Thomas G. Parisi, who was 67, formerly Deputy with the N. Y. Commission and Brooklyn Republican leader. Celebrities from the political and sports world turned out to pay their respects to Tommy, among them Johnny Crews, Tony Durso, who was also a Deputy Commissioner, Lou Salica, former bantam king, and Sammy Markowitz.

Jack "Doc" Moore was credited with being the man who was behind Al Weill in making the moves that finally saw Rocky Marciano become heavyweight champion of the world. Moore, in his late eighties, was matchmaker for many clubs here and out of town and managed many gladiators. "Doc", a man who loved to talk of his vast experiences in the boxing game, had been ill for more than a year.

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Ring #8 of New York, completed its roster of officers and is again functioning at top speed. Ruby Goldstein, the new prexy, has the club going well. Al Reid is 1st Vice President. Ray Kozak is 2nd Vice President. Financial and Recording Secretary, Julian Mayer. Treasurer, Sam Goldberg. Sergeants-At-Arms, Johnny Rosner and Steve Belloise. Incidentally, Ruby Goldstein is in his 25th year as good will ambassador for Schenley Distillers. Ring #8 boasts of having a membership of 400.

CHARLEY ROSE

Boxing was represented at the annual get-together of the B'nai B'rith Sports Lodge #1840 in the Roosevelt Hotel and at the National Cartoonists Society affair at the Commodore Hotel. Harry Markson, director of Madison Square Garden Boxing, represented the sport on the dais, which this year paid tribute to the Giants, who saw Bobby Thomson's home run win the pennant for them from the Dodgers in 1951. At the Cartoonists affair, Jack Dempsey and Joe Frazier, two of our outstanding heavyweight kings, along with big Jim Farley, former Commissioner, paid homage to Satchel Paige, who received the #1 Sport of the Year award.

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Paul Berlenbach, former light heavyweight champ, was given a rousing reception when he appeared at a B'nai B'rith meeting and the audience was thrilled with his stories. Berlenbach, accompanied to the meeting by Sammy Markowitz, Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Ring #21, told innumerable yarns about his career. He told how he finally recovered from his early handicaps of being deaf and dumb when he climbed a pole and an electric current enabled him to regain his speech. Paul celebrated his 71st birthday February 18.

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One of the favorites at Jack Dempsey's is Don Anthony, a cousin of crooner Frank Sinatra. Don has been an entertainer for 15 years. He once thought of being a fighter and is an avid member of Rings #8 and #21. He recently appeared at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas.

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Memories of the Golden Era were rampant when we ran into Jack Sharkey, Jr., son of the one-time New York bantam. Who'll forget Jack's two thrillers with Joe Lynch in the old Garden, one a 15-round draw? He was the first man to beat the renowned Jimmy Wilde when they clashed in Milwaukee. Little Jack, who was managed by his dad and Max Waxman, had 65 pro fights. Now 54, little Jack is living with his wife and son, Jackie III, in North Bergen, N.J. He's an active steamfitter.

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RAMOS GAINS SPLIT VERDICT OVER CARRASCO

By DON FRASER

LOS ANGELES—It was certainly not one of Mando Ramos' better performances, but it was good enough to carry him to a 15-round split decision over Spain's Pedro Carrasco at the Sports Arena. With the victory went the World Boxing Council's version of the lightweight championship.

It was a tough fight to score with the game Spaniard landing more punches, but local hero Ramos coming up with the more explosive blows.

The pace was fast and gruelling and neither boxer seemed in any real danger of going down. When Mando did land with a telling punch, the little European roared back to keep Ramos off balance.

Carrasco's best rounds were early in the battle, plus he had the edge in the 11th, 12th and 14th frames. Mando's body punches had Pedro in trouble in the 13th, but he couldn't get over a finisher.

A fast, accurate left jab was Pedro's best weapon. The left just about closed Ramos' right eye during the late rounds. However, this injury didn't seem to hamper the Long Beach youngster.

In a previous meeting last November in Madrid, Carrasco was awarded the bout when Ramos was disqualified for "fouls". The decision was later reversed by the fathers of the WBC, who declared the match no contest.

The decision was not well received by the crowd of 15,165, who though pro-Ramos, booed the verdict. Referee Lee Grossman had Ramos in front, 7-6 and judge John Thomas, 9-5. The other judge, Dick Young, went for Carrasco, 8-5.

Ramos had to melt off two pounds following the weigh in to make 135. Carrasco came in at 134. Mando, who first won recognition as lightweight champion in 1969, when at 19, he stopped Carlos (Teo) Cruz, blamed his subpar showing on having to make weight.

"I was weak and scared to go all out", said Mando. "But, he never hurt me and I know I stunned him several times. I just didn't have enough strength to follow up".

Carrasco and his manager, Umberto Branchini, expressed displeasure with the decision. Both agreed that a rematch was in order.

Promoter Aileen Eaton and matchmaker Don Chargin were also talking about a third go-round for Ramos and Carrasco.

Ramos has told friends he would like to go after Jose Napoles' welterweight title, which doesn't seem too far out of line, since he has trouble paring down to 135 pounds.

The gate was $171,816. Carrasco picked up a check for $60,000, Mando, $53,000.

Danny (Little Red) Lopez, 123, Oram, Utah, was a flashy two round knockout winner over Polo Lopez, 126, Mexico. A short, jolting left hook did the job to give young Lopez his ninth straight, all KO's. Another hot prospect, Arturo Pineda, 126, Mexicali, finished off Juan Plata, 127½, Los Angeles, in the third. A volley of lefts and rights took care of Plata. Felipe Cesena, 122, East Los Angeles, dec. over Adolfo Alvarado, 125, Mexico, (4); Lorenzo Maldonado, 125, Los Angeles, dec. over Jorge Gonzales, 120, Mexico, (4).

THE CHATTER BOX

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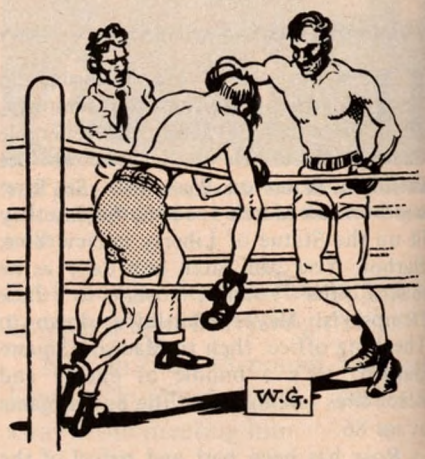
Kingston, Jamaica . . . Former welterweight king Jackie Fields was named to the Helms Hall of Fame . . .

Dr. Marvin Goldberg has been named to replace the late Johnny Addie as ring announcer at Sunnyside Gardens in New York . . .Ring correspondent Don Sauer has been appointed deputy sheriff for Plymouth County, Mass. . . . Denver, Colo. promoters Tim O'Connor and Mike Hayes are doing nothing but S.R.O. business with local heavyweight Ron Lyle heading their cards . . . Lawyers for the estate of ex-heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano have filed a $5 million lawsuit in U.S. District Court, charging "errors and omissions on the part of the Federal Aviation Administration" in connection with the plane crash that killed the champ . . . Pennsylvania Governor Shapp named Zack Clayton, Manny Gelb and Joe Cimino boxing supervisors . . . Philadelphia sportswriters named Joe Frazier their Professional Athlete of the Year . . . W.B.A. named their light heavyweight champion, Vicente Rondon of Venezuela, Boxer of the Year . . . Honolulu promoter Sam Ichinose is doing sensational business with featherweight Ben Villaflor packing them in . . . Dr. Edmund D. Pellegrini, son of boxing manager Mike, has been named Dean of Stony Brook School of Medicine . . . Freddie Caserio, Chicago Golden Gloves boxing champion in the Thirties, died. He was 61 . . . Two welterweights to keep an eye on are Buddy Boggs and Roland Pryor. Washington promoter Paul Tibbs and Baltimore matchmaker Eddie Hrica should get together. A battle between these two welterweights would do big business in either spot.

The GREAT DAYS of the PRIZE RING

by Walter Galli



MAY 28, 1917

The incomparable BENNY LEONARD began his reign as Lightweight Champion of the World by knocking out FREDDIE WELSH in the 9th round. For Welsh, it was bad enough losing his title, but when he got back to his dress-ing room, he found there was NO purse! His manager had collected the money in advance and blew it at the track, betting the ponies. The enraged Welsh severely beat his manager - then bit off part of his ear!.. N.Y.C.

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ZIEGLER FACES TREMENDOUS JOB

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corporation, to have the promotional background.

Peeples, who at age 21 was a member of the first boxing commission appointed to supervise boxing in Miami, had the qualifications. His first boxing show was held in the Legion Arena at 8th Street and Biscayne Boulevard on December 12, 1932.

During his long career he was associated with Madison Square Garden as a co-promoter when the Garden was under the direction of Gen. John Kilpatrick, with Jimmy Johnston as the matchmaker. Peeples also worked in associated promotions with Mike Jacobs at 20th Century Sporting Club, and James D. Norris with the International Boxing Club.

His Bobby Dykes-Kid Gavilan welterweight championship match, was the first white-black bout yet promoted in the South. This opened the South to all boxing talent. The Jake LaMotta-Danny Nardico middleweight bout on December 31, 1952, was the first nationally televised event to originate in Florida, and was also the first time La Motta was ever KOd.

Peeples has promoted wrestling, basketball, hockey, tennis, entertainment and was associated with the promotions of Holiday on Ice, for many years. The addition of Major Peeples to the Ziegler organization was one of the determining factors in the Ziegler victory.

In the original bids, Ziegler was high man but when the vote was taken by the seven man City Council, three voted for Dundee and three for Ziegler, with one abstaining.

Ziegler offered to guarantee the city against loss of revenue, by posting a bond. The Council rejected all bids and instructed the City Manager to advertise for a new set of bids to provide for a minimum guarantee. When new bids were opened, the Dundee envelope contained a letter stating he would not make a bid for more than his first offer. Ziegler's bid carried a guarantee of $70,000 slightly more than the average annual revenue return to the City over a period of the last three years.

The former contract having expired on November 30, 1971, Ziegler asked for and was granted a date for March 9 for a boxing show. Ziegler at this time instructed Major Peeples to secure the best possible match for the date. The Major came up with Bob Foster and Vicente Rondon for the light heavyweight crown. The match was announced 24 hours before the award was made to Ziegler for the exclusive rights to boxing and wrestling for the next five years in the Miami Beach Auditorium and Convention Hall.

Ziegler intends to run three or four boxing shows a month with one of his monthly shows being a card involving nationally known talent, devoting the other shows to the development of local talent.

He has declared he will operate with an open door policy with his club being open to ALL managers and fighters. Baron Pate, having a lifetime background in boxing, will act as matchmaker.

Other officers of the corporation are Martin Greenbaum, Vice-President, a Miami Beach attorney and Albert Wilensky, Secretary-Treasurer, another Miami attorney, and former municipal judge of Hialeah, Fla.

Chris Dundee built an empire in Miami Beach with a lot of hard work and tireless dedication. Ziegler faces a tremendous task in filling Chris's shoes.

FICKLE FATE HAS GIVEN MANY GREATS "BUM RAPS"

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If the name of Bettina comes up at all it is an afterthought. Again, the verdict of the record book is that Bettina was the best southpaw among the bigger men and the only one to become a champion in the light heavy or heavyweight divisions. This alone should entitle him to a more indelible spot in the reviews of long time aficionados.

When Bettina boxed in Madison Square Garden, a mass migration out of Beacon took place, headed by a noisy brass band which would parade through the aisles whenever he fought there. The night he won the light heavyweight championship from Tiger Jack Fox, bandplaying, cheer leading, and dancing in the aisles erupted as the upstate "apple knockers" reaped a bumper crop of euphoria.

Bettina had the tough luck of having to contend with exceptional opposition in Billy Conn, to whom he surrendered his championship in a close match.

A return engagement produced a similar result. The margin between the two was razor-thin both times. Bettina went on to score victories over some redoubtable heavyweights. Names of such formidables as Jimmy Bivins, Curtis Sheppard, tough Red Burman and Harry Bobo appear among those he decisioned. He got as far as a defi to Joe Louis but for all his greatness, the Brown Bomber had an aversion to southpaws and nothing happened.

One wonders whether the town he fights out of might not have something to do with the quickness with which some champions are forgotten. Had Bettina been native to the neighboring metropolis of New York City his fame would probably have been more enduring.

The city he hailed from—Philadelphia—was big enough to nationally spotlight his dazzling talents but his lifestyle mitigated against Midget Wolgast carving himself a more enduring niche among boxing's champions.

The little Italian from Quakertown, who won the world flyweight championship way back in 1930, was a "boxer's boxer".

Recalling Wolgast's gloved wizardry, Georgie Pace, once bantam champion, had this to say, "There's nothing Willie Pep could do with a pair of gloves that Midget Wolgast couldn't do. I've never seen any boxer with the speedy execution and the tricky moves that Wolgast had."

Fate conspired in many ways to deny John Henry Lewis his rightful place among the outstanding champions. The name similarity with contemporary Joe Louis, who ended John Henry's career in a match of dubious allowance, was an obscuring factor in a distinguished fighting career.

The Brown Bomber's reputation was so great, his magnetism so monumental that John Henry, the lesser Lewis, was consigned to the shadows. But he never lost his light heavyweight championship and the record shows that he was one of the best light heavyweights of all time. In a nine-year career, defeats were few and far between for John Henry and he was as effective against tought heavyweights, as he was against men his own size.

Never known as a devastating fighter—this could have been due to a tragic ending in one of his early matches—he was a highly accomplished boxer and a sharp hitter. He came into his final fight against Joe Louis in 1939, riding a two-year record of 30 victories, one draw and one loss, an indication of his success against the opposition of his time.

There are those who have deplored the match with Louis since it was rumored John Henry was having eye problems. The Brown Bomber, then at the height of his explosiveness, did a demolition job on his lighter rival, ending matters in a single round.

In explanation of the quick finish, Louis offered the reason that getting it over with as quickly as possible was the best way.

For a fighter of his quality, John Henry's career had not been highly lucrative, and the main object of the mismatch had been to gain him a sizeable purse. He never fought again and over the years, the Louis debacle had been allowed to erase a record which is among the very best. This should not be so, and Lewis merits far better, as one of the outstanding 175-pound champions.

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21-YEAR DUNDEE ERA ENDS IN MIAMI BEACH

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been good years, with Cassius Clay's comeback. My profit over those years was around eight per cent.

"Now they were asking me to cut my profit to a doubtful five points, and that guarantee made my operating margin almost nothing. It was just too risky a proposition. Maybe the other outfit can handle it, but I doubt it.

"The Beach is my town. I know everyone here. I wish them luck, but I honestly can't see them making it. There is hardly a top fighter or champion who hasn't boxed at my club. Whom can they bring in that I haven't?"

Allied Sports began moving into its new offices late in January, and their first promotion was scheduled for March 9, the light heavyweight title showdown between Bob Foster and Vicente Rondon. However, they ran into a snag early when they were forced to go before the City Council and renege on their rental guarantee.

"We negotiated Foster-Rondon based on Dundee's 12½ per cent," complained Mel Ziegler, president of Allied Sports. Reminded that his group had bid 18½ per cent, 3½ points higher than required in order to outbid Dundee for sure, the City Council pointed out that Ziegler's plea for a flat rate of $10,000 on that fight (they had scaled the Convention Hall for a $140,000 house) was ridiculous. A higher rate was scheduled to be worked out by Ziegler and the Council.

What does the future hold for Allied Sports? Frankly, they face a terrific battle. They apparently bid too high. They are not veteran boxing men, in close touch with the pulse of the modern fight game. They have no gymnasium for their fighters. Most of the top local talent is managed by Chris's brother, Angelo, who promised full cooperation with Allied Sports. This remains to be seen. Most local observers feel that Allied Sports' reign will run into trouble. The city may swallow its pride and arrange for Dundee to return.

Chris, however, might not be available. "I won't take this lying down," he declared. "I'm already looking into several possible sites for my shows. Plenty of places want me to come in to promote, like San Diego, Norfolk, Phoenix, Tucson, and Chicago. "This is my home. I won't leave Florida. There's a big new arena opening across Biscayne Bay in Miami, sometime in the fall, and I'd love to operate there. Sure, it's disappointing to be forced out under these circumstances.

"The men the city preferred over me aren't experienced boxing people. Veteran fight figures like Aileen Eaton, Teddy Brenner, and Lou Viscusi, turned down a chance to come in.

"These men with Allied Sports. . .well, I wish them luck. They'll sure need it. I might even go to their shows. I know one thing, I'll still be promoting around here. Here I belong."

Included among Dundee's immediate plans were a heavyweight championship bout between Joe Frazier and local contender Al Jones, which would be held in the Orange Bowl in Miami. Chris indicated he would run "when and where" he wanted, and seemed relieved that the pressure to produce on a regular basis was gone.

For Allied Sports the pressure has just begun.

PETER JACKSON, BLACK TITAN

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Jackson had incurred severe cuts and bruises on his right leg in a fall from a buggy several weeks before the fight. He played it down to reporters but the leg never healed properly and when he entered the ring it was heavily damaged.

They fought 61 rounds, almost four hours, before it was called a draw! But to call it a draw did not mean it was equal. Had the fight gone 20, 30 or even 40 rounds to a decision, Jackson would have won.

Even after 60 rounds, with Jackson hardly able to stand, Corbett refused to lead.

After the 40th round virtually no action took place and, seeing his repeated warnings to both men having no effect, referee Hiram Cook decided to call it even after the 61st round.

He was later rebuked by the California Athletic Club for being too soft. Jackson and Corbett received half pay.

Jackson's last great fight fittingly was with Slavin, for the British Empire heavyweight championship at London's National Sporting Club on May 30, 1892. The purse was $10,000 and the distance 20 rounds.

Jackson sealed Slavin's career that night completely outclassing him before knocking him out at 1:25 of the 10th round.

Jackson's career, too, had reached the end. Shut out by Sullivan and then Corbett from the richest plum in sports, and with no one else willing to fight him, Jackson lapsed for six years and turned to alcohol. On March 22, 1898, he was knocked out in the third round by James J. Jeffries.

Slavin, hearing of Jackson's condition, paid his fare back to Australia in the hope that the warm climate would restore him. It was too late. Ten days into his 40th year, on July 13, 1901 Peter Jackson died, penniless and alone, of tuberculosis.

READ RING WRESTLING

OLD BROADWAY

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Received a note from Russell Harley, recording secretary of the Golden State Boxers Association, of Los Angeles, telling us that Maxie Rosenbloom, former light heavyweight champion of the world, was ill at Braywood Hospital, 1625 Meridan Ave., South Pasadena, Calif.

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Johnny Green, bantam from Harlem, was telling about his first pro fight with a chap named Joey Weiner, who came from his block. Green recalled it was Weiner's second scrap. Johnny told that Weiner until recently was athletic director for the Philip Morris Co., until he retired, his post being taken over by the Englishman, Harry Warren, who gave up his recording secretary job with Ring #8. Warren is physical fitness co-ordinator.

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Little Willie Oliveri, featherweight from Elmhurst, Long Island, who fought in the 1930's, among his opponents being seven boxing champions, was married recently to Mary Ruggerio, of Jersey City. Oliveri, now 58, is a member of Ring #8.

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Carrying out the tradition of the McMahon family, Vince McMahon, Jr., son of the wrestling and boxing impressario, has become an announcer at wrestling shows in the New York Garden, Washington, D.C., and elsewhere. Vince's grandpa was Jess McMahon, who promoted fights years ago at the Manhattan Casino and Commonwealth Sporting Club with brother Eddie, and later became Tex Rickard's matchmaker.

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Active member of Ring #8 is former lightweight, Phil Rutha, who boxed from 1930 to 1936 and was managed by Walter Lang. Rutha, now 58, met Johnny Horstman, Johnny Cabella, Johnny LoBianco, now a New York referee, Jack Dempsey was the referee when he met Gaspar Abruzza. Married, wife's name Lou Ann, has two children and six grandchildren.

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Memories of the good old days on Broadway were recalled by the passing of Joe Braun (Brown). Brownie was around in the days of Eddie Mead. His famous spot on 45th St. near 7th Avenue, was visited by many celebrities. Those were the days when the block was honored by Harry Hershfield, George Burns, Eddie Mead, Silvey Burns, Carney McCarty and Jimmy Mars. "The Palace Bar" was Joe's spot. Brown was a pal of Manager Nate Lewis and Billy Roche. His brother Harry was an amateur boxer 50 years ago and later became a well known chiropractor.

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Murray Goodman, former publicist for Madison Square Garden boxing and newspaper man, broke into the news again. He was elected Township Committeeman in River Vale, N.J. Murray said he had a cinch, as there was no opposition. Syd Pesken's neighbor in Atlantic City is our old friend Joe Griffo, who was the announcer in the first meeting between Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney in Philadelphia on Sept. 23, 1926. Griffo is well in the eighties. Teddy Hayes, who was assistant trainer to Jerry the Greek in the Jack Dempsey era, is now in retirement in Phoenix, Arizona, and is in the seventies. Al Ettore, Philadelphia heavyweight, who fought Joe Louis in Philadelphia, is living in Atlantic City.

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Twice bantam champion Lou Salica, won a double battle when he successfully underwent a foot operation and removal of a disc in his back. He was laid up for a few weeks at New York's St. Clare's Hospital, where his brother Mike is a doctor.

NARDICO SORE AT LAMOTTA'S SNIDING HIS 1952 KNOCKOUT

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215 pound heavyweight by the name of Cleveland Williams, I think that I did well.

"La Motta has nothing to be ashamed of in telling it as it is. My name is Danny Nardico, master of Jake La Motta, the one who put him on the canvas.

"This is not some "has-been" talking because he was never given a chance at the light heavyweight title he so rightly deserved. This is no former pug broke and hungry. This is a top citizen of Carson City, Nevada, working for the state of Nevada with a solid position, married and happy with a wife who cares. . . ."

That many fighters hang around another year when they know they should retire was demonstrated in Nardico's case. He closed with a miserable 1954, being stopped that year by Charley Norkus and Paul Andrews.

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PHILLY BOOMS BRISCOE AS COMING CHAMP

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If you were to go around 24th and Indiana and ask the first person you saw where Briscoe lives, they would gladly direct you to his home. The people are very friendly in that area.

On entering the Briscoe domicile, you would, more than likely, hear a recording, as Bennie loves music. "I've always dug different kinds of music and in my collection you'll find albums from Bach to Basie", says Briscoe. "Listening to music sure relaxes me, especially before a fight".

Bennie, his attractive wife Rita and their two children, Tracey Denise, age 4 and Bennie, Jr., 2-years-old, live in a comfortable row house in the 3000 block of north 24th Street. Rita attends all his fights and feels: "My Bennie will be champ as soon as he is given the opportunity to box that fellow Monzon again. He is a good husband and father. He wants the best for his family."

Bennie launched his pro career as a welterweight in September, 1962, with a four-round KO of someone named Sam Samuel. Nine fights later he stopped Charley Scott in the first round.

In this time when young men can't grow their hair long enough, Briscoe is rather unique. The 28-year-old slugger sports a bald head that rivals Yul Brynner's. He has worn (or maybe not worn is more appropriate) his hair in such a manner all his life.

"You see, my parents have 10 sons. So, you can just imagine the bread needed for haircuts. So, when we were kids, in order that he got his money's worth, pop would tell the barber to keep cuttin' until there was nothing left. I got used to it and now it is a part of me. I don't go to the barber's any more, I do it myself with magic shave. I don't feel I would look right with hair after all of these years of being bald."

When "Baaad Bennie" hits his foes, he hurts them; and they hurt all night long and for days to come. Even when he comes up on the short end of the decision, he has been known to send the other guy to a hospital.

Such was the case the night he fought that grueling 10-rounder with Stanley "Kitten" Hayward a few years ago. They waged a heck of a battle, slugging each other from bell to bell with neither man wanting to give ground. When the smoke cleared, Hayward got the nod, but looked more like the loser. Both eyes were puffed and his face had more bumps than a country road.

Bennie recalls: "It was a real war and we fought our hearts out. He won a split decision and we both took some terrible wallops. After the fight, he ended up talking outta his head in the dressin' room, cryin' and pleadin' with God to let him live. He went to the hospital. I caught a cab and went home. I wanted a rematch, but it never came off."

It is an indication of Hayward's sound judgement in not granting Briscoe a rematch. Briscoe is very "baaad" news in return bouts. In fact, only ex-welterweight champion Luis Rodriguez has not succumbed to Bennie's punch the second time around. He gained two hard-earned dukes over Briscoe. One bout was held in Philly and the other in Madison Square Garden.

Due to his punishing punch, obtaining bouts has been a problem for Bennie. In the past year, Philadelphia's youthful promoter, J. Russel Peltz, brother-in-law of Arnold Weiss, Briscoe's manager, has extended offers to Freddie Little, Curtis Cokes, Don Fullmer and Emile Griffith to come to Philly and oppose Briscoe. None of them indicated any interest.

Briscoe appears to be almost a sure bet to get his long-awaited title fight this year. In fact, negotiations are in the works to induce Monzon to come to Philly and defend against him for $100,000.

Briscoe's 10-year dream of a title match was all but shattered in November of last year in a bout with Mexico's hard-punching middleweight Rafael Gutierrez in Philadelphia. The fight was the feature attraction of the 23rd annual Deborah Hospital Fight for Life benefit show. Bennie was appearing as a substitute for ailing Cyclone Hart.

Weighing in at 161 to his opponent's 164, Briscoe (who had been decked only twice in his career) walked right into a short, power-packed right hand and was in a world of trouble with just 30 seconds of the first round gone. He staggered drunkenly as Gutierrez bombarded him with a series of blows and down he went. It was almost unbelievable. The heretofore indestructible Bennie Briscoe was flat on his back.

Instinctively Bennie struggled to his feet to be met by another volley that sent him once again to the canvas. He had taken so many terrible shots that, had the fight been held anywhere but in his hometown, it would've been stopped.

But the bald-headed Briscoe is a man of awesome strength and fierce pride. He once more picked himself off the deck and with his eyes rolling in his head, stood toe to toe with the Mexican, who was trying desperately to put him down for the fight-ending third time. Briscoe, still in a daze, started to get off some of his own bombs and, at the bell, an earth-shaking left hook to the body dropped Rafael to his knees.

Quenzell McCall plopped Bennie down on the stool (Briscoe usually stands during the minute respite) and worked feverishly to get his man in shape for round two. The bell sounded with Briscoe charging from his corner like an enraged panther, putting every ounce of himself into each punch and at 2:17 of the round, his opponent was counted out on his hands and knees after a tremendous left-right dropped him to the floor.

After the bout, McCall said: "There was too much foolishness going on in the dressing room before the fight. There were entirely too many people back there and they had Bennie thinking about everything except the business at hand. Consequently, he went into the ring with the wrong attitude. The man just walked right into that right hand. This won't happen again. In the future, I'm gonna keep the dressing crowd down to a minimum."

No matter how his boxing career develops, Briscoe intends to keep his job with Philadelphia's Federally Funded Rat Control Program. Floyd Jackson, a co–worker, feels: "Bennie is well-like by the other cats on the job. I useta box in the Army and sometimes on our lunch break, he and I throw a few at each other. The other men really eat it up".

Briscoe wants to be middleweight champion. He wants this not only to justify the years of punching and being punched, but for Rita and the kids. In addition, he plans to do something for the youngsters in the crowded streets of North Philly. Says Bennie: "With the money I can make as champion, maybe I can start a boys' club or somethin'. I believe in giving somethin' back to the community. After all, these are the people who pay their hard-earned dough to see me fight".

"Baaad Bennie" Briscoe fought six times last year and scored six KO's. If his handlers are able to get Carlos Monzon to come to Philly and defend against him, and if Briscoe's fantastic return-bout record holds up, he may be middleweight champion of the world this year.

THEY DON'T MAKE 'EM LIKE COULON'S ANYMORE

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was called for, and Coulon scored a KO in 19 rounds. As John thrice had beaten Kid Murphy, the No I contender, Coulon gained recognition as the world champion.

On June 9, 1914, at Vernon, Cal., all-time great Kid Williams stopped Coulon in three rounds and took the title from him.

On March 10, 1920, in Paris, Coulon was stopped by Charley Ledoux, who had campaigned in the U.S.

Coulon said, "That's enough. The time has come. Fifteen years are enough." He went into vaudeville.

It's a pleasure and a privilege to sit with the Coulons and talk Old Times.

FRAZIER EYES QUARRY MATCH

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A world heavyweight championship fight in Los Angeles would be a rarity. There have been only two involvements of reigning champions there in bouts which lacked real jeopardy for the titleholders.

On August 18, 1958, Floyd Patterson knocked out Roy Harris in 12 rounds in L.A.

On April 17, 1939, Joe Louis stopped Jack Roper in the first round. Both matches were held at Wrigley Field, which has disappeared, along with the Polo Grounds in New York and Ebbets Field in Brooklyn.

Knowledgable sources in Los Angeles say that Frazier will not fight in California, and add that the proposed return never will take place. They cite these items:

1 – Yank Durham keeps talking about millions. He insists Frazier has been offered better than $5,000,000 for his signature.

2 – There are numerous suits growing out of the New York fight, involving a reported $57,000,000, mostly over matters connected with the closed circuit TV contracts.

3 – Reputable fight promoters and others who were ignored in the allotment of TV privileges re the New York fight are determined not to have anything to do with fight No. 2–if it comes off.

4 – Cooke will find it utterly impossible to satisfy either Frazier or Clay, who have financial notions that will force Cooke to surrender, with New York already out.

5 – Herbert Muhammad, Clay's manager, says that he has a bona fide offer of $6,000,000 for Cassius to fight Frazier in Mexico City. Herbert adds that the $750,000 mentioned in the option is farcical.

6 – Yank Durham says, "I would not ask Joe to get dressed for a fight in which he would get only $750,000, especially before taxes."

7 – The vast profits reported to have been collected from closed circuit TV of the New York fight have been grossly exaggerated, and that Cooke's actual take was around $450,000 and Perenchio's $300,000.

8 – Many localities would find it difficult to sell tickets for another Frazier-Clay TV showing because patrons at the showings last March put on riots, especially in Chicago and San Francisco.

To ennumerate the many points on which suits have been entered would be neither interesting nor informative. Some $30,000,000 are involved in Illinois court actions alone.

Sam Silverman, the Boston fight promoter, has sued for a million because, he asserts, Perenchio failed to give him full rights covering all of New England.

Silverman says he bought the rights for $305,000; that he paid $250,000 down; that when he showed up ten days later with another $55,000, as promised, he discovered that the deal had been given to a Providence agency.

One of the suits has been brought on behalf of the 18,000 fans who crowded the Forum for the TV showing and decided that the picture was bad.

And so it goes–individual suits, class actions, consumer charges, and suits by promoters, two of whom, in Los Angeles, insist that they were promised the entire promotion. Some suits, involving insurance companies, have been settled.

Allen Rothenberg, Cooke's lawyer, insists that the suits cannot affect a rematch. The court actions, he believes, are mainly what are called "class actions", entered by lawyers in quest of headlines and reputations.

Nevertheless, the picture is bad enough to scare a would-be promoter away and place the entire matter of closed circuit TV showings on a vast scale in jeopardy.

In view of the legalistic situation, it is a wonder that Cooke wants to become involved in a rematch.

As for Mexican promoters offering the millions reported by Frazier and Clay connections, one wonders if that country's economy would permit such extravagance in fistic planning.

Hollywood, though on reduced rations, may talk about $200 tickets in Cooke's Forum. Mexico City hardly is ready for a fight with even a $100 top.

However, as the Spanish say, "Quien sabe?" Who figured that Cooke would come up with $4,500,000 to guarantee the Frazier-Clay fight in New York?

IS FOREMAN READY FOR FRAZIER?

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is one of the most important the heavyweight class has faced in some years. To be an out and out challenger? Or to clear a few real trial horses out of the road?

To come out boldly and take the giant risk, with its tremendous potential rewards? Or to take the smaller risks, always remembering that even these are loaded with hazards.

A Foreman fight with Quarry, or Patterson would offer no guarantees of safety for George.

But the fact remains that he has to come out into the open, and stop picking up peanuts against stiffs.

There comes a time in every worthwhile boxer's development when he has to make the big leap. He cannot keep postponing it. That now is Foreman's position.

Many a great prospect has been ruined in making the giant leap.

The Ring's ratings, which show Clay the No. 1 contender and Jerry Quarry No. 2, with Foreman No. 3, have been drawing a lot of mail. Most of the correspondents question Foreman's right to the No. 3 spot. But The Ring can see complete justification of its estimate of George's standing.

Being rated No. 3, George is confronted with the necessity of justifying that ranking. However, The Ring cannot for long support George in that spot. He has to fight to earn that, or better.

Examples of the dangers of making the leap without being prepared for it may be found in the cases of Mac Foster, Boone Kirkman and Joe Bugner, among others.

Foster was destroyed by Quarry in six rounds. Mac displayed an uninspired attack and a lacklustre defense. He was rushed into trouble by local adulation in Fresno, where his long list of knockouts over nobodies created a picture of Mac which Quarry proved very misleading. The beating did Foster a lot of harm. He allowed himself to get out of condition. He took on a lot of lard which, report has it, refuses to disappear.

The Kirkman title bubble exploded because he never really had what it took. Mishaps and injuries dogged him incessantly. A broken collar bone gave him a lot of misery, eventually producing blood poisoning. This was cleared up and on to New York went Boone and Jack Hurley.

Boone came into the Quarry fight as if he had been given an anesthetic. Hurley quit as his manager, and now it appears that Kirkman is finished with boxing. Too bad. A fine guy. But over-rated, and hard-pushed.

Bugner's standing as a heavyweight was ruined by his hairline decision over aged Henry Cooper. Jack Bodell whipped him and then came Quarry to England, to stop Bodell with one punch.

One of the big question marks over yonder now has to do with Jose Urtain, the Basque weightlifter. He can hit but cannot box a dime's worth. It's a question if a heavyweight of that type can be taught to be cute and crafty. The odds do not predict his making it.

The latest "have a care" guy in the British picture is Dan McAlinden. The one black mark against this man out of Coventry is his 10-round defeat on July 6, 1970, by the gigantic American Jack O'Halloran. Beating Jack is no feat. Losing to him is dangerous minus.

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending March 15, 1972

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Floyd Patterson beat Oscar Bonavena, 10.
Reco Brooks outpointed Ron Stander, 10.
George Chuvalo kayoed Charlie Chase, 6, Canadian heavyweight title.
Ernie Shavers stopped Ted Gullick, 6.
Ron Lyle halted Chuck Leslie, 3.
G. G. Maldonado beat Johnny Clohessy, 4.
Claude McBride Kayoed Mel Harris, 2.
James Helwig stopped Sonny Glass, 1.
Phil Paris halted Pete Knight, 4.

Paris

Bill Hardney kayoed Chico Corsey, 1.
Jimmy Price, 2.
Ray Ayala halted Tony Fernandez, 4.
Rene Kinsey stopped Nate Shaver, 7.
Ed Bailey kayoed Johnny Jackson, 7.
Macka Foley beat Goerge Holden, 6.
Raul Gprosito stopped Marc Hans, 2.
Wendell Newton defeated Johnny Gause, 6.
Tom Kocan drew with Manuel Collazo, 4.
Jimmy Young outpointed Jasper Evans, 4.
Ken Pantalow stopped Sergie Rodriguez, 4.
Jack O'Halloran beat Charlie Harris, 10.
Richie Yant kayoed Murphy Goodwin, 1.
Obie English defeated Ned Edwards, 6.
John D'Amore stopped Mel Ward, 3.
Lee Martin outpointed Charlie Jordan, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Chris Finnegan defeated Conny Velensek, 15, E.B.U. light heavyweight title.
Brian Kelly kayoed Scott Wisooker, 4.
Eddie Jones stopped Ruben Figueroa, 6.
Fred Lewis decisioned Charlie Reno, 10.
Willie Wilson won from Ned Edwards, 6.
John Griffin kayoed Billy Wagner, 12.
Dewey Fain halted Ron Hect, 1.
Sam McGill beat Charlie Jordan, 6.
Maurice Rice kayoed Koroseta Kid, 6.
Dave Roger stopped Kalman Santosi, 2.
Jerry Evans halted Ray Vega, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Jean-Claude Bouttier beat Manny Gonzalez, 10.
Emile Griffith defeated Armando Muniz, 10.
Denny Moyer outpointed Gene Bryant, 12. North American Middleweight Title.
Miguel de Oliviera halted Julio Calvetti, 3.
Eugene Hart kayoed Matt Donovan, 2.
Rudy Robles won from Ron Wilson, 10.
Jose Madrazo beat Gatien Tonna, dis. 6.
Tom Bogs decisioned Juarez de Lima, 10.
Ralph Palladin outpointed Harold Richardson, 10.
Adolfo Gonzalez kayoed Ray Smith, 6.
Billy Douglas halted Billy Lloyd, 1.
Elwood Townsend defeated Roland Marshall, 6.
Len Harden outpointed Mario Rosa, 10.
Carlos Marks halted Tony Berrios, 3.
Tom Hanna beat Roy McMillian, 10.
John Mangum kayoed Otis Goode, 3.
John L. Sullivan stopped Leon Linscomb, 6.
Art Davis kayoed Mike Nixon, 5.
Yuk Jae-Do halted Kazuo Nakamura, 11, Orient middleweight title.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Ernie Lopez kayoed Sal Martinez, 3.
Armando Muniz lost to Emile Griffith, 10.
Clyde Gray decisioned Marcel Cerdan, 10, kayoed Lonnie States, 4.
Robert Gallois stopped Pietro Gasparri, 6.
Billy Backus halted Pat Murphy, 7.
Nate Robinson won from Tukro Levya, 10.
Thurman Durden stopped Mario Olmedo, 4.
Roland Pryor beat Pete Toro, 10.
Steve Holton kayoed Joe Jefferson, 1.
Mario Saurennann outpointed Jose Gabino, 10.
Augie Gomez beat Mel Dennis, 6.
Ricky Limas drew with John Armstrong, 6.
Art Harris defeated Sammel Maul, 8.
Bobby Haymon outpointed Jesus Alicia, 8.
Roger Buckskin defeated Al Foster, 6.
Frankie Lewis kayoed Jackie Turpin, 2.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Bruno Arcari kayoed Percy Pugh, 5.
Joao Henrique stopped Hector Matta, 5.
Carlos Ortiz halted Ivelaw Eastman, 2.
Miguel Barreto beat Mario Saurennann, 10.
Don Sennett outpointed Ivelaw Eastman, 8.
Josue Marquez defeated Doc McClendon, 10.
Jose Pagon drew with Jesus Alicia, 6, beat George Gosselin, 6.
Joe Greer drew with Eddie Beauford, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Shinichi Kadota lost to Isimunta Syzuki, 12, Orient lightweight title.
Carlos Vasquez beat Nassar Aghai, 10.
Phil St. Cyr kayoed Bob Chenard, 5.
Ricardo Valanzuele drew with Jose Lijon, 4.
Jesus Mariscal stopped Rodolfo Olvera, 2.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ray Lampkin beat Nestor Rojas, 10.
Ruben Navarro stopped Masa Takayama, 8.
Jose Marin lost to Ricardo Arredondo, 15, W.S.C. junior lightweight title.
Frankie Crawford kayoed in one by Ben Villaflor.
Eluid Garces beat Luis Lopez, 8.
Jose Luis Del Campo outpointed Memo Morales, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Ricardo Arredondo beat Jose Marin, 15, W.B.C. junior lightweight title.
Antonio Gomez kayoed Raul Martinez Mora, 7, W.B.A. featherweight title.
Jose Legra outpointed Evan Armstrong, 15, European featherweight title.
Ben Villaflor stopped Frankie Crawford, 1.
Gary Farrera halted Davey Pierson, 1.
Chi Chi Ontivares kayoed Demetrio Palencio, 2.
Bert Natalatan stopped Ricardo Garcia, 10.
Ray Hall halted Johnny Raven, 4.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Alan Rudkin beat Johnny Clark, 15, British bantamweight title.
Betulio Gonzalez kayoed Salvador Lozano, 6.
Chartchai Chionoi won from Kenjo Endo, 10.
Arturo Pineda stopped Mashito Takahashi, 5.
Jorge Rodriguez kayoed Filli Castro, 5.
Jewell Chappell beat Felipe Cesena, 5.
Chang Kyu-Chul won from Snappy Asano, 12, Orient junior featherweight title.

FLYWEIGHTS

Salvatore Lozano lost to Betulio Gonzalez, 6.

FLOYD LOOKS TOWARD TITLE AFTER QUESTIONABLE VERDICT

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doubtless has occurred to Markson. But to throw Patterson to Frazier would come close to inviting mayhem.

This man Patterson is a physical marvel. A psychological one, as well. He obviously upgrades himself and downgrades Frazier.

He looked hardy against Ringo. He did not appear to be tired at the close. Perhaps a 15-round distance would have made a difference. But could Bonavena have made 15 with a busted hand?

In the aftermath, Patterson indicated that he had expected to beat the South American and actually lacked interest in the contest. He was fighting Bonavena, and at the same time looking past him.

"I am not ready for Frazier." That statement surely hints where Floyd was looking. Frazier was right there to look at, ringside.

For Markson there is the task of keeping Patterson interested and away from another stretch of the hermit's life at New Paltz.

If Harry is to promote a Frazier-Patterson fight, let's have it soon.

On the undercard, John Clohessy, 213½, Bronx, N.Y. took a four-round beating from G. G. Maldonado, 221, Paterson, N.Y.

A lardy Argentinian named Raul Gorosito, 245, Buenos Aires, stopped Marc Hans, Boston, 194½, in the second round.

Wendell Newton, N. Y., 223, stopped John Gause, Philadelphia, in the first, Gause, 207¼.

Kevin Pentalow, 184, N.Y. knocked out Sergio Rodriguez, Haiti, 181, in the fourth.

Jimmy Young, Philadelphia, 202, beat Jasper Evans, 203, N. Y. in a four.

Manuel Colazzo, Puerto Rico, 177¾, and Tom Kocan, 181, N. Y. went four to a draw.

Don Powell, Louisville, 172½, stopped Ken Warner, Jersey City, 176, in 47 seconds.

DUNCAN WINNER, LOSER IN NEVADA

By MIKE MARLEY

RENO, NEVADA — Northern Nevada's heavyweight hope, Larry (Irish Pat) Duncan, Carson City, was a winner and a loser in recent ring action.

The 23-year-old scored a KO win in 8 rounds over Victor (Dynamite) Scott at Stateline, Nev., and later dropped a 10-round verdict to journeyman Steve Grant in San Carlos, Calif. Duncan now sports a 19-5-1 pro record.

Duncan, 204, was behind on points in the Lake Tahoe bout with Scott, 215, Los Angeles, when suddenly the burly Nevadan was able to turn the tide.

Two other Ted Walker stable performers took wins. Elmo Henderson, 195, El Paso, Tex., resident now working out of Carson City, took a 10-round decision over well-traveled Los Angeleno Frank (Snakebite) Niblett, 195. Henderson is 36 but didn't look it against the Californian.

Elmo is now 30-7 after 15 years of pro boxing. Louis (Kid) Boone, 185, another Fort Worth product now living in Carson City, stopped Lee Mitchell, 179, Los Angeles, in one frame. Boone claims a 14-1 pro mark.

Duncan just couldn't get going against Grant in the Circle Star Theater, which is not far from San Francisco.

Popular Angel Mayorel, a lefty from San Diego by way of Santa Rosalia, Mex., was unbeaten at the Sahara-Tahoe Hotel as of this writing.

Mayorel stopped Tomas Romero, 137½, Navajoa, Mex., in the third stanza of a scheduled ten spot. The 21 year old southpaw has a 38-4-1 pro record.

In other fights, Hildo Silva, 168, Hermosillo, Mex., KO'd Tucson boxer Bobby Rascon, 168½, in the fourth round of a slated ten. Young Jaime Campos, 139, a comer from Guayamas, Mex., won a decision over Sergio Muzquiz, 139, after six.

Silva, only 22, has a 12-2-1 record. Rascon is going downhill. He's been punching for pay for 14 years and battled light heavy kingpin Bobby Foster seven years ago.

Eastern Washington State College geology major John. L. (for Lee) Sullivan is a middleweight hope to keep your eye. Sullivan is managed by ex-Navada fight pilot Moe Smith and the two are based in Spirit Lake, Ida.

Sullivan's Nevada debut was a successful one in a 10-rounder at Stateline. Sullivan improved his record to 8-0 with a very close split duke over cagey vet John Rico of Tucson, Ariz.

Rico, who is 13-3 and is trying a comeback, controlled the fight for about six or seven rounds. Sullivan pulled the fight out with a late rally. Both boxers want to go at it again.

The Arizonan is part-time rodeo performer.

In other bouts, Rosario Zavala of Mexico, 149½, stopped Mike Lopez in 2:59 of the tenth, and stylish Dave Arellano, San Diego, 149½, beat Jorge Diaz, 142½, Tucson, on points after ten.

▲**NEVADA NUGGETS:** The University of Nevada, Reno, boxing team—coached by veteran Jimmie Olivas, is favored to win the California Collegiate Boxing Conference (which will include Sacramento City College, Chico State College and U.C. Berkeley) championship tournament in Reno.

Olivas has a fine squad that is paced by Pete Wisecarver, Bill Marioni (former National Golden Glove tourney semifinalist), Freddie Little (the 18 year old nephew of the former world junior middleweight champ of the same name), Don Adams, Joe Klatt and John Grover.

The Wolf Pack ring squad has a new, highly-promising heavyweight hope from Georgia named Emory Chapman. Other Nevada-Reno ring stalwarts are Lou (Too Sweet) Doyle, Eric Barton, Dick Prunty, Bill Harland, Mike Marley, Tom Temkin and Gene Whitehead.

Mc LEAY BATTERS WILER IN ● FIVE, CASSIUS CAVORTS ●

By JACQUES A. H. TACHAUER

Calgary, Alberta — Some 4,500 fans at the Stampede Corral were entertained by Cassius Clay. He sparred through ten rounds, going five each with Jeff Merritt, and James Summerville.

Earl McLeay, 212¼, Calgary, stopped Gary "Hobo" Wiler, 195¼, Seattle, in the fifth round. Wiler was given a thorough pasting in the 4th. A right cross decked Hobo for the full count at 34 seconds of the fifth. It was sweet revenge for the local hopeful who had been halted in five heats by Wiler in Seattle last year.

Ben Yee, 193, Calgary, stopped Walter Wolfleg, 183, Gleichen, Alta; Yee decked his man twice, the second time being for the full count at 2.52 of the opening round.

In the best bout of the night Gary Ferrari, 133, Seattle, banged out an eight round unanimous decision over Al Foster, 133¾, Portland. Ferrari floored Foster for a nine count in the seventh.

▲At Edmonton, former Canadian featherweight champion Billy McGrandle pitched a near shutout in ten rounds against Tony Porter, of Phoenix. McGrandle had Porter on the deck in the first round. McGrandle weighed 130, Porter 134.

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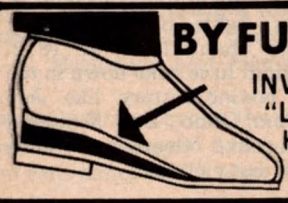

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KADOTA UPSET BY SUZUKI AT TOKYO

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, JAPAN — Hitherto Orient lightweight champion Shinichi Kadota, who was regarded as the strongest contender from the Orient for Ken Buchanan's crown, lost an upset unanimous decision to Ishimatsu Suzuki, 134¼, in 12 fast rounds at Korakuen Hall. The close defeat means Kadota's farewell to his local crown and maybe to his challenge to Buchanan. Clever lefty Kadota, 135, was forced to save himself, by sidestepping and covering up from Ishi's aggressive attack. In the first half, the underdog was in perfect command, taking three rounds and losing none. The champ's best came in the eighth session, when he caught the speedy bomber with strong combinations to his rival's face to almost finish the losing combat. Suzuki, victim of Kadota's power via a KO route last year, changed his scrappy strategy into cool counterpunching. In round 11 Suzuki unleased a right uppercut that made the come-backing Kadota almost hit the deck. Ref Tezaki scored the surprising result 58-55 in Ishi's favor, and judges Yoshida's 58-56 and Ugo's 58-56, also were in Ishi's favor. Some 1,200 fans were in attendance.

▲ Footworker Zensuke Utagawa, 127¼, turned the tables unanimously, as he outscored Hyun Kim, Korea's Orient titlist at 127¾, in a nontitle 10 rounder at Fukushima Gymnasium.

▲ At Abeno Gymnasium, Osaka, Shoji Tsujimoto, ex-amateur champ, 146, won a lopsided nod from Byong-Mo Yim, a sturdy Korean, 146¼, in 10 hot frames. Yim, former Orient boss, proved no match for the sharp hombre with unblemished records. Shoji beat the veteran to the punch and was awarded a shutout 50-45.

▲ Slick-punching Takatsune Shimizu, 148¼, proved too ringwise for Nobuhide Kuroda, 148, dropping the victim three times and out in the fourth session at Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium. Some 2,100 fans witnessed the national champ score well with right shots to his rival's button. Obviously it was a mismatch.

▲ Cassius Clay's sensational campaign in Japan was announced by Prime Organization, which had won recognition from the JBC for staging Clay's tune-up series against Mac Foster. The JBC Rule itself forbids any fights between foreigners in protection of the national fight business.

▲ Hiroyuki Murakami, 134½, and Sumio Nobata, 132, fought gamely to a 10-round draw at Korakuen Hall. The former went all out in later rounds in spite of losing three rounds in the first half. They were scrappy lefthanders.

▲ Ex-titlist Ushiwakamaru Harada battered less experienced Kunio Takeuchi all the way and copped a lopsided nod in 10 heats at Korakuen Hall. The bantams scaled 119½ pounds each.

▲ The All Japan Shinjin-o Tournament Final was held at Higashi-yodogawa Gymnasium, Osaka. The hot showings by young combatants drew an estimated 1,900 there. The winners in all classes are as follows: flyweight, Jiro Takada; bantamweight, Susumu Inoue; junior featherweight, Seiichi Eto; featherweight, Shigemitsu Nemoto; junior lightweight, Shigeru Okada; lightweight, Yutaka Kuniyoshi; junior welterweight, Yoshihiro Sugaya; welterweight, Yoshitaka Kato; Michihiro Horihata and light heavyweight, Sakae Maruyama. The Best Shinjin-o Award went to Eto who one-sidedly halted Takeyoshi Ura in four.

▲ An upset decision stunned 1,200 spectators at Korakuen Hall, where the national champion was expected to retain his leading position against an inexperienced rookie. Masanao San, 125½, lost a hairline but unanimous verdict to rising Kimio Shindo in 10 fast rounds. The winner weighed 126 pounds, the limit of the division.

▲ In Seoul, Korea, Snappy Asano of Japan was defeated by Kyu-Chul Chang, Korea's Orient junior feather boss, in a 12 round title bout. The gory affair was dominated throughout by the champ.

▲ After the OBF's repeatedly warning him to defend his crown, current Oriental lightweight ruler Rene Barrientos, of the P.I., announced he had relinquished the laurels because of his having outgrown the division.

▲ Non-stop punching Koichi Wajima, new WBA's junior middle titlist, engaged in his first competition since his defeating Carmelo Bossi of Italy last year with Cassius (Junichi) Naito in 12 rounds. The card gathered 4,500 customers at Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium. On six occasions Wajima decked his lefty opponent to score a spectacular kayo in the seventh session. Wajima himself went down once in the fifth, but he went all out for a kill to give a heavy barrage to Naito's face. Naito, ex-Orient boss weighing two and a half pounds more than the tough hombre, was unable to utilize his vaunted advantage of height and reach. At short range Wajima banged out the fading lefty at will.

▲ Shoryu Watanabe, 135 pounds and ex-Shinjin-o winner, came back strong from a bad kayo by Masataka Takayama, and won a unanimous duke from Kenji Hayashi, hard-hitting but awkward, in 10 frames at Korakuen Hall. Kenji's brutal attack was missing due to the winner's fast mobility and sharp counterpunching.

▲ Ohdate City Gymnasium saw the first professional contest by the rated national champion. Susumu Hanagata, 114¾, defeated Takeo Sukegawa, 114, in nontitle 10 rounds before 2,000 customers. Hanagata's title was not at stake. Hanagata was in command in 5 rounds with a clearcut margin, losing no rounds.

SAURENNANN, LAMPKIN MIAMI BEACH VICTORS

By HANK KAPLAN

MIAMI — Donato Paduano, the Canadian welter attraction, is making a big hit among Tampa fight followers as he trains there for an upcoming bout. . .Former world lightweight champ Jimmy Goodrich and wife are expected down from Fort Meyers Beach for the South Florida Veteran Boxer's Association dinner at the Algiers Hotel. . .Solly Seeman, Chris Dundee, Sid Terris and Jimmy Durante are to be honored at the VBA annual affair. . .Phil Delmont, a belting welter of the early twenties who once knocked out a youngish Mickey Walker at Elizabeth in 1919, has returned to his former haunts in Miami on a permanent basis. . .Jack Solowitz, former Brooklyn battler who has resided in Tampa for about 35 years, is now chairman of that City's Boxing commission. . .

▲ **MIAMI BEACH** — Mel Ziegler of Allied Sports Enterprises, who displaced Chris Dundee as holder of the exclusive contract to promote boxing and wrestling on Miami Beach, got off to a good start as he produced a four-card show with quality in all matches. Devoid of known talent, the crowd was held down to 1,810 fans but it is hoped future shows featuring headliners of note will attract enough regulars to fill the 3,500 capacity Miami Beach Auditorium.

In the ten round feature, Mario Saurennann, 145, Philadelphia, with Yancey Durham in his corner, survived several cuts and a debatable knockdown to outpoint tough Jose Gabino, 149½, Dallas. The crowd-pleaser was judged as follows: Referee Dick Tobin saw it 47-42 for Saurennann, Judge Jim Ruby had it 47-42 and Judge Marty Cohen 48-43, both for the Philadelphian to make it unanimous.

In the ten round co-feature, unbeaten Ray Lampkin, 133, Portland, scored a unanimous decision over hard punching Nestor Rojas, 134, Caracas and Tampa. This win makes the high ranking of Lampkin unquestionable. Neither battler scored a knockdown in the spirited slugfest.

In the eight rounder, Rene Kinsey, 192, Miami, showed some of his ability to punch as he belted out the crafty Nat Shaver, 178, Orlando, in round seven.

Another eight rounder saw the promising Eddie Bailey, 178, Tampa, put the quietus on Johnny Jackson, 190, Orlando, in the seventh round.

▲ **MIAMI BEACH** — An amateur show sanctioned by the Florida Gold Coast AAU, featuring nine three round bouts was held in the Miami Beach Auditorium. It is expected that the winners will compete in the State Championships later this season.

In numerical order the bouts were presented as follows: Richard Stanbaugh, 129, Miami Springs High School student, won on a split decision over Michael Byrne, 129, of the University of Florida. Frank Eisle, 165, St. Petersburg, took a unanimous decision over Richard Johnson, 165, game but inexperienced Miamian. In a corking good bout, Ralph Coley, 128, Hollywood student under the care of Danny LiCitra, outscored Dwight Dudley, 128, St. Petersburg, in a unanimous vote. The very promising Charley Wilson, 142, of Northwestern High School, captured the unanimous nod over Mack Davis, 141, of St. Petersburg. Johnny Hobbs, 165, St. Petersburg, took the unanimous vote of the judges as he outpointed Gerald Humbert, 168, Miami. Billy Bly, 165, Hialeah, scored a TKO over Bill Rajala, 165, of Key West. James Wright, 145, St. Petersburg, pounded Antonio Sanchez, 145, Key West, to a second round TKO. In a fine contest, Billy Williams, 185, London, England, won on a unanimous decision over Sylvester Jordan, 182, St. Petersburg, who exhibited much promise himself. Charles Patton, 150, Marine Sergeant, Key West, was stumped by the awkward style of his southpaw opponent, Victor Jallek, 147, Israel, but copped the unanimous duke at the end.

SMITH KO'S LUTZ IN ONE AT CAPE TOWN

By ED CLARK

DURBAN — Stanger's unbeaten middleweight Elijah Makahathini, 158½, continued on his winning ways by chalking up win No. 14 over Abraham Sibeko, 160, at the Beatrice Street, Y.M.C.A. The first two rounds were even but in the third, Makhathini used his left like a sledge-hammer, pounded Sibeko and sent him bouncing thru the ropes. Another left hook had Sibeko on "queer street" and the ref. stopped the fight.

Fraser Memela T.K.O'd Joseph Mahlobo in 3, heavyweights. Phuthuma Khuboni decisioned Amos Mbhele, 6, middleweights.

▲**CAPE TOWN** — At the Show Grounds, Kosie Smith scored a first round K.O. over Don Lutz, (U.S.A.) after only 60 seconds in the scheduled 10-round top liner. Using his left jab to feel out his man, Smith worked Lutz to the ropes and then a mighty right caught the American on the jaw and down he went with no hope of beating the count. This light heavyweight fight was witnessed by 3,500 fans who were first stunned, then broke into a storm of cheering.

Lighter by 19 pounds, Chris Roos outpointed cumbersome Jimmy Richards over 10 rounds in a heavyweight fight. Roos was on top thruout, beating Richards to the punch with crisp rights and variation of punches. Both boxers were bleeding and from the seventh, Richards had a tough time to see out the distance. Richards has since been suspended from boxing in the Cape.

Big Mike Schutte, 247¾, from the Toweel stable threw punches from all angles to bewitch, bother and bewilder Raymond Cross, 211¼, and scored a second round T.K.O. Schutte was too rough for game Cross and has great potential. Morris Weinstein, 123, attacking from the first bell had Chris Nel, 122, down twice and the fight was stopped in the first.

▲**DURBAN** — Gordon Goba, 157, middleweight king clinched a narrow points victory over Maxwell Malinga, 153, over 10 rounds at Curries Fountain. Goba used a crouching style and made the body his target and Malinga used left jabs effectively. Malinga was down in the first for "8" but stormed back to attack strongly. It was a gruelling contest and Goba finished with cut lips and Malinga with a cut above the left eye.

Joe Archer won a hard 8 round fight over Alfred Cele, lightweights. Blakeney Matthews outscored Abe Ncala, 6 rounds, lightweights. Moses Mthembu whipped Angel "Baby" Jake, 6, lightweights. Ezra Mzinyane outbanged Abraham Sibeko, middleweights, over 6, and Jerry Gumede and Joseph Zondo shared honors, bantamweights, 4.

▲**PORT ELIZABETH** — At the Feather Market hall before a capacity crowd, local welterweight Ronnie du Preez was given top billing against West German Hans-Wilhelm Ermen. Du Preez gave the fans much to cheer about as he was on top thruout the fight. Using the straight left and right cross as his main weapons he took command of the fight. After four right crosses in succession in the third, the German resorted to holding and leaning on his opponent. This marred the fight but Du Preez tried to give the fans their money's worth but in the eighth, the towel was thrown in and Du Preez declared the winner.

Louis Neveling shaded Harrie Barbarie after 8 rounds in the lightweight division. Dougie de Wet annexed the Cape lightheavyweight title by T.K.Oing Gerry Bouwer in 8. Nic Lourens outscored Cliff Manuel over 6, middleweights. In the opener Carl van Wyk was no match for Ben Booysen who won on a T.K.O. in 2 of a heavyweight clash.

▲**JOHANNESBURG** — Boxing resumed after the holiday lay-off and 7,000 fans gathered at the Ellis Park Tennis Stadium to see S. Africa vs. Italy. Gert Steyn, welterweight champion had an easy win over Aldo Mondoro of Italy. Steyn battered his man thruout and Mondoro never landed a solid punch. A right hook to the jaw had the Italian bleeding from the nose and it was a right hook again that put the Italian away in the second.

The elder Steyn, Stoffel also a welterweight was given a tough fight by Ermanno Fasoli and at the end of 10 rounds the fight ended even. Many were dissatisfied at the verdict which seemed to flatter Steyn. Two days later Stoffel Steyn announced his retirement from the ring.

Arnold Taylor, dual bantam and feather king scored the best win of the evening when he K.O.'d Ugo Poli, ranked junior lightweight, in 4 rounds. Taylor wasted no time in preliminaries but hurtled across the ring throwing leather. Some of his punches were wild and he missed the target but Poli was unsettled thruout. The blow that put the Italian out was a perfect one to the solar plexus.

Heavy and lightheavyweight champion Sarel Aucamp whom many consider better than rated Pierre Fourie, turned in a poor performance in outpointing Italy's Celso Calzi over 10 rounds in a heavyweight bout. Aucamp was a clear winner but the fight became colorless as the rounds "wore" on.

Sydney Bensch won a 4 round middleweight over Johnny Contemessa.

MALDONADO OVER FORMARO IN SIX ROUNDS AT OMAHA

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

OMAHA, NEBR. — Efren Maldonado, St. Paul middleweight upped his record to 9-2 by taking a unanimous six round decision over Frank Formaro of Des Moines. Maldonado won five of the six rounds, but could not put Formaro down.

▲ **Rochester, Minn.** — Pat O'Connor, Rochester's unbeaten light heavyweight has resolved his differences with manager Bruno Lisi. Mickey Davitt, former Rochester boxer, now of Phoenix, will be O'Connor's new trainer.

▲ **St. Paul, Minn.** — Fred Jimenez, St. Paul welterweight was to have met Ernie Witcher of Akron. Jimenez was fighting without compensation.

The Minnesota Athletic Commission disapproved the benefit show with commissioner Jack Gibbons stating that he didn't like the mixture of pros and amateurs on the same show.

▲ **Moscow U.S.S.R.** — Duane Bobick, Bowlus, Minn. amateur heavyweight champion scored a second round technical knockout over Vladimir Chernyshev of Russia. The American team however, lost the match 8-2.

The U.S. team then went on to Zhdanov, Russia, where Bobick decisioned Valeri Inyatkin to help the U.S. gain a 3-3 tie.

Bobick continued on to Yerevan where he stopped Russian heavyweight Kamo Saroyan in the third round. The U.S. team lost the match, 5-2.

▲ **St. Paul, Minn.** — The armory was the scene of the St. Paul Golden Gloves with the following champions being crowned: Heavyweight, Joe Abbott-178; Chuck Chandler-165; Tom McBain-156; Dennis Presley, 147; Gordie Kampa, 139; Chuck Schluessler, 132; Max Rehfeld, 125; John Fuller, 118; Dave Klsecewski, 112; Mando Bennett.

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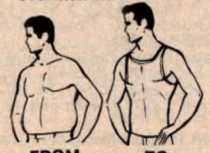

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HART BACK IN ACTION, ●STOPS DONOVAN IN TWO●

By ARCHIE PIROLLI

Philadelphia, Pa.—Eugene (Cyclone) Hart, 160½, showing no signs of rust from his long 4 month layoff since his head hit the concrete floor in his previous fight, walked out with his 21st knockout victory in his fight with Matt Donovan. He disposed the middleweight from Trinidad with two left hooks to the chin in the second round.

The unbeaten Cyclone started slower than he usually does. He started with jabs and set up openings for his bouncing left hook.

Hart stalked Donovan, 155, onto the ropes where the local boxer unleashed his heavy artillery. He staggered the Trinidad fighter with two left hooks to the body and head toward the end of the first round.

In the second round the Philadelphian punched for the body, forcing Donovan to lower his guard. Then he nailed Donovan with two left hooks. The loser went down on the seat of his pants. This time he did not beat referee Hank Ciscos's count of 10.

The crowd of 3,437 yielded a gross gate of $21,480, for promoter J. Russell Peltz's card, at the Arena.

In the semifinal 10-rounder, Dynamite Billy Douglas, exploded like an atom bomb and knocked out Philadelphia southpaw Billy Lloyd in the first round.

Douglas, Ohioan, who weighed 162, rocked Lloyd with a left right combination soon after the opening round. He followed with another left-right to the head that staggered the Philadelphian. Lloyd, 160, then landed a left hook and Douglas shook it off, charged in and nailed the Philadelphian with four straight right-hand shots to the jaw. The 1st one draped him over the bottom strand of the ropes where he lay until referee Frank Capcinos counted 10.

In the all-Philadelphia opening bout Ray Hall, 127, stopped Johnny Ravens, 128, in the fourth round.

Philadelphia's new heavyweight prospect, Obie English, 208, ran his unbeaten string to seven with a six round decision over Long Island's Ned Edwards. Elwood Towsend, 160, won over Roland Marshall, 6 rds. Eluid Garces, 123, defeated Louis Lopez, 125, in an 8 rd. bout.

CHUVALO BEATS CHASE, ● WHO FRACTURES HAND ●

By JIM JOHNSTON

Vancouver, B.C.—Canadian heavyweight champion George Chuvalo successfully defended his title when he stopped Charlie Chase in six rounds. Chuvalo weighed 223, to 192 for the challenger from Montreal. A crowd of 9,824 fans paid $62,389 at the Pacific Coliseum.

Chase put up a better fight than expected and Chuvalo was unable to put him down although he was the aggressor all the way landing many combinations with Chase counter-punching in flurries. Referee Dave Brown halted the bout at the conclusion of the sixth round due to a broken hand suffered by Chase.

Cassius Clay went ten rounds with two sparmates Tracy Summerville and Jeff Merritt.

In another Canadian title bout scheduled for 12-rounds Clyde Gray, Toronto, stopped Lonnie States, Windsor, in the fourth after three knockdowns to retain his welterweight title.

▲At Eugene, Oregon, Kalman Santosi, 163½, Vancouver, was stopped in the sixth round by Dave Rogers, 164, Coos Bay. It was the rubber match between the two, each having won one bout previously.

John L. Sullivan continued his winning streak when he stopped Leon Liscomb in the fifth round. Sullivan weighed 155 to 156½ for Liscomb.

▲Vancouver light-heavy Tommy Delvechio suffered two defeats during the month. He was stopped at Yakima in four by Hal Burton, Seattle, after having Burton down in the first.

At Anchorage, Alaska, Tommy was stopped in the fifth due to a cut eye and the bout was awarded to Rocky Mosley, of Columbus.

Mosley was stopped in four by Larry Buck of Seattle at Yakima.

MANAGUA DOESN'T LIKE CORONADO OVER CASANOVA

By JAY WEBBER

Managua, Nicaragua:—In the Cranshaw Stadium, Francisco "Toro" Coronado won an unpopular decision over Chamaco Casanova, of Mexico. Coronado, a Nicaraguan, on the comeback trail after a year's lay-off, was anything but impressive. He opened a shallow cut over Casanova's left eye early in the seventh rd. The judges' decision was roundly scored by the local press.

In a six, at 118, Mario Montes won by K.O. in 50 seconds of the last round, over Indio Vasquez.

In 10 rounds, Renan Marota won by decision over Pajarito Guido

In 10 rounds, at 125, Raton Hernandez won over Hermes Silva by decision. Hernandez was at the short end of the betting when he entered the ring. Silva made an impressive showing in the Golden Gloves and was the heavy favorite. Last two rounds fought in a downpour of rain.

In another show 40 rounds of boxing held fans in the Cranshaw Stadium until 12:45 a.m.

Antonio Paisano won over Rene Aguilar, 112, by a K.O. in 1 min and 25 sec of the second round. Aguilar appeared ready to quit the contest by the end of the first round.

Alejandro Guido lost a six rounder by a decision to Goyo Miranda. 112.

Hilde Roche won over Hermes Herrera in the first 10 rounder. The judges gave Roche, 112, a unanimous decision.

In a mismatch, Julio Martinez won over Polvorita Martinez by a unanimous decision in 10.

Ray Mendoza 119 lbs won an unpopular ten round decision over Eduardo "Raton" Mojica, 118.

STANDER RALLIES FROM ●SETBACK, WHIPS BOSWELL●

By ROBERT J. RUIZ

Omaha, Nebr.—Heavyweight Ron Stander, punched his way to win no. 22 by defeating Mike Boswell. Stander had to settle for a unanimous decision after ten rounds.

Making his first start since his loss in Denver to Reco Brooks, Stander, followed his usual pattern of carrying the fight to his opponent. Ron, at 239, was overweight and fighting a severe cold.

Mike gave the heavy fisted Stander all the fight he wanted, and refused to buckle under the Iowan's barrages. Boswell appeared to be out on his feet at several points but Ronnie didn't have enough left to dispose of the Ohioan.

Stander is now 22-1-1, and looks forward to the time he can get himself truly in condition. As his manager said afterwards; "When you are thirty pounds overweight-all fights are tough".

The semi-finals brought about two KO upsets. Omahan Lou Bailey, 200, was pulled out of his ringside seat as a last minute substitute, and promptly KOed Harold Carter, 180, Cleveland.

Bailey had been dropped in the fourth and was apparently finished when he rallied in the fifth, drove Carter into a corner and felled him for the count.

"Going to be champion", said young Mike Reed, local middleweight. . . .and proceeded to act the part by halting veteran Gene Coon, Offutt Air Base, in three. Reed reversed his lone defeat.

Bob Haymon, 147, Cleveland, stopped Jose Santos, 162, 2. Efren Maldonado won split decision over Frank Formaro, 6. Middles.

ROBINSON GETS VERDICT ● OVER LEYVA IN VEGAS ●

By HAROLD E. GUNN

Las Vegas, Nev.—Rebel Nate Robinson, California welterweight, went to post for Bill Miller's Silver Slipper Show against Turco Leyva of Tucson, winning a unanimous 10 round decision.

"The Rebel" was a last minute substitute for Gil King and Nate was a bit off in his timing for this fight, however, it was a great chance for Gunn to get his young charge back into action after Robinson's long lay-off due to illness.

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SHAVERS STOPS GULLICK IN 6TH OF OHIO WAR

By JOHN L. MC CAFFERTY

Warren, Ohio: The long-awaited meeting between Ted Gullick, 196, Youngstown, and Ernie Shavers, 204, Warren, took place at Packard Music Hall before 1,900 fans who paid $13,000. Gullick was stopped in the sixth.

Gullick was down in round three but came back strong in the fifth and drove Shavers around the ring with a barrage of left hooks. Shavers weathered the onslaught and Gullick seemed to have punched himself out.

They came out swinging again in round six but Gullick had lost his drive and fell prey to a left which sent him down and out.

▲**Parma, Ohio** Milomar Casey Gaici, 172, Parma, won a unanimous 8 round decision over Gary Summerhays, 173, Brentford, Ontario.

Andie Reed 136½, Akron won an 8 round decision over Mike Harris, 134, Cleveland, Terry Summerhays, 153, Brentford, beat Tommy Russel, 152, Zanesville, in 6 rounds.

Sam McGill, 198, East Liberty, Pa., shut out Joey Ray, 187, Cleveland, in 6 rounds.

Frankie Steele Lewis, Akron welterweight, journeyed to England where he scored 2nd round knockout over Jackie Turpin.

▲**Canton, Ohio** Gary Broughton, 157, Brantford, Ont. won a unanimous 10 round decision over Dave Thach, 167, Kalamazoo. Thach was down for 8 in round nine.

Len Hutchins, 174, Detroit, won a KO over James Parks, 169, Cleveland in the 8th round.

Hutchins took the lead and seemed to be in full controll for seven rounds. In the 7th Parks put on a rally. In the 8th round Hutchins caught Parks with a low blow.

Parks collapsed, clutching his groin, but the referee counted him out giving Hutchins a cheap KO. Examination after the fight showed that Parks had been fouled.

An amateur show sanctioned by the Lake Erie A.A.U. filled out the show. This program was marred by the use of a Columbus professional in an amateur bout.

The pro was run in as a ringer and was matched with an Akron amateur.

The result was a bad beating for the amateur. The match is under investigation by Lake Erie A.A.U. Commissioner John Nagey.

▲**Cleveland, Ohio** John Griffin, 174, TKOed Billy Wagner, 175, in the 12th round with a surprising finish. Wagner out fought Griffin on the inside but Griffin held the edge at long range.

Billy built up a good lead on points with his superior infighting. Going into the final round he was leading on all score cards.

But for some reason Wagner attempted to slug with Griffin at long range.

The result was disastrous for Billy as Griffin landed some terrific shots which put Billy down. He regained his feet but it was all over for him. Referee John Christopher halted the fight.

Tap Harris, 147, Akron, won an 8 round decision over Sammy Maul, 147, Dayton, in a good fight.

Bobby Hayman, 148, Cleveland, scored a TKO over Jesus Alicia, New England, in the 6th round. Levon Martin, 204, Toledo, beat Charly Jordon, 205, Detroit, in 6 rounds.

▲**Akron:** The finals of the Akron Golden Gloves in the Armory drew over 3,000. The result.—

Open Division Winners: 112 — Willie Panetta; 118 — Larry Mason; 125 — Otto Palfy; 132 — Sonny Dixon; 139 — Delmar Suttles; 146 — A.Z. Patterson; 156 — Garland Paynther; 165 — Joe Palfy; 176 — Russell Dossie; and H.W.T. Jim Flynt.

Novice Division winners: 112 — Randell McGrady; 118 — Charles Schieblehood; 126 — Terry Butler; 135 — Tom Brazil; 147 — Jerry Brooks; 160 — Sam Long; 175 — Mike Mays; and H.W.T. Whorlee Jones.

CARABALLO STOPS MOLO AS BARRANQUILLA CHEERS

By LUIS A. GONZALEZ V.

Barranquilla, Colombia — In one of the outstanding fights seen at Humberto Perea Coliseum in a long time, Bernardo Caraballo, Colombia, 124½, knocked out Mario Molo, 125, Paname, in five rounds. A right hook to the jaw finished Molo. Attendance, 8,000. The referee was the veteran Carlos Focha Hernandez.

In the semifinal, Angel "Manopla" Rodriguez, middleweight of Baranoa, still unbeaten, unanimously decisioned Alirio Quinones, Tumaco. Now the record of Rodriguez is: 7-0-1 (5 KO).

Jaime Amaya, local featherweight, stopped Rodolfo "Kid Barranquilla" Marquez.

Reinaldo Ramirez, Cartagena, decisioned Alfonso Cobas, Barranquilla bantam in six. Ramirez was always in command and floored Cobas in first and eighth.

Bogota lightweight Rudy Escobar announced his retirement.

ST. LOO REVIVES WITH COBBS, BOLDS VICTORIES

By CLARENCE GOLDSTEIN

St. Louis, Mo. — Two Pittsburgh boxers invaded St. Louis, but only one returned home the victor. In the opening eight round bout, John Copeland, 135, Springfield, Mo. was knocked out in 1:37 of the fourth round by Rudy Bolds, 138, Pittsburgh. In the opening minute of the first round Copeland looked like a winner when he floored Bolds with a well executed right hand as Bolds was coming off the ropes.

Bolds recovered and had Copeland down for an eight count at the end of the round. Round two and three saw little action. In the fourth Bolds let go with a series of punches to the head and Copeland landed flat on his face as the referee counted him out.

In the ten rounder, Don Cobbs, 161, St. Louis, reversed several defeats on his record via the cut eye route by stopping Al (Sugar) Bolden, 159, Pittsburgh, in the fifth. The fight was even.

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HANNA OVER MCMILLIAN IN • 10 ROUNDER AT DETROIT •

By ELLIOTT HARVITH

DETROIT, MICH. — Tommy Hanna, 159, Detroit, took an action 10 rounder over Roy McMillian, 158, Toledo, in the feature bout on promoter Lou Handler's card at the Fair Grounds before 1,652 paying $6,400, Hanna is now 14-2.

John Mangun, 163, Detroit, had no trouble flattening footrunner Lightning Goode, 160, in 3 rounds to record his 8th victory, without defeat.

Sam McGill, 192, Pittsburgh took a 6 round duke over Charlie "Big Tuna" Jordan, 201, Detroit, Jordan is now 11-13-1.

Dewey Fain, 160, Akron, came out blazing in his pro debut and belted Ron Hect, 156, Owosso, Mich. into submission in just 37 seconds.

▲**LIVONIA** — Detroit middleweight Tommy Hanna has replaced the leader of Michigan, Dave Thach of Kalamazoo, as the number 1 rated 160 pounder in Michigan ratings.

▲**CLEVELAND** — In the curtain-raiser at the Cleveland Arena, Lee Martin, 202, Toledo, took a 6 round duke over Charlie "Big Tuna" Jordan, 200, Detroit. Jordan who is now 11-12-1 dropped a 6 to Martin last year at Toledo.

▲**CANTON** — Promoter Henry Grooms of Kalamazoo and Col. Pop Andy Brown ran a show at the Memorial Auditorium. Actionwise it was a great show as Gary Broughton, 158, Brantford, Ontario, took an exciting 10 duke over Dave Thach, 165, Kalamazoo and Len Hutchins, 175, Detroit, KO'd James Parks, 172, Cleveland in the 8th.

MOSLEY TOO TORRID FOR • DEL VECCHIO IN ALASKA •

By BRIAN ARCHER

Anchorage, Alaska — The first boxing card presented in Anchorage in a year and a half was held at the Edgewater Inn Nightclub. Promoter Tom Gravely and Matchmaker Phil Hauser stated it was a financial success.

The card consisted of a scheduled ten round main event between middleweights Rocky Mosley of Cleveland, and Tommy Del Vecchio of Vancouver, B. C., and six amateur bouts.

Mosley was too flashy and classy for his shorter and heavier opponent, and stopped him without trouble with a fifth round TKO.

Del Vecchio had hit the canvas several times in the preceding rounds. Mosley needs a better opponent to make a good fight. Gravely is looking.

In the amateur bouts, Tom Bradley TKO 3rd round over Ken Thompson; Alec Esparza decisioned James Molina; Steve Garcia 2nd round TKO over Kevin Gladson; Thomas Mikes decisioned Leo Jackson; Joe Hamersley 2nd round TKO over Larry Olson, and Bruce Hannon KO'd Rick Hodsdon in the 2nd round.

Gravely is looking for good talent interested in fighting in Alaska. His address is: 3809 Campbell Field Rd., Anchorage, Alaska, 99504.

BRAZIL'S HENRIQUE STOPS • MEXICAN FERRAT IN TWO •

By BO ZAINE

Sao Paulo, Brazil — The year 1972 approached with a smashing victory for junior welter contender Joao Henrique over Mexican Gerardo Ferrat. Henrique kayoed Ferrat in the 2nd round at the Parque Antarctica Stadium. A sequence of blows, followed by a left hook to the stomach, put the Mexican down.

Henrique showed an aggressiveness that he seldom showed before, and has racked up four straight KO wins in his last outings.

Luiz Fabre stopped Leonardo Peralta in the fifth of their middle fight.

Bantam Pedro Domingos outpointed Jose DeSouza in six, middle Osmar DeOliveira outpointed Adriano Rodrigues in six, while debuting lightweight Jose Rodrigues decisioned Manoel Gomes in four rounds.

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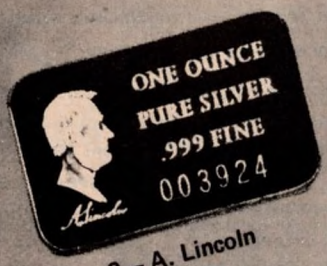

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SPAIN EXCITED OVER BIG BOOM IN QUALITY BOXING

By JOSE ALVAREZ

Madrid, Spain — Boxing's blooming in Spain. We hold five European crowns. Bantam, Agustin Senin; feather, Jose Legra; Welter Jr., Pedro Carrasco; Middle Jr., Jose Hernandez; Heavy, Jose Urtain.

These plus a boom of newcomers like Juan Francisco Rodriguez, European flyweight champion in the amateurs last year; Mariano Garcia, a flyweight; Bob Allotey now a naturalized Spaniard in the bantams; Marichal a stylish feather who boxes well; Barrera Corpas, who makes it extremely difficult for anyone his own weight, ask Locche and Arcari, whose nods over him were sheer; Famoso Dongil a fancy with dynamite fists in the welters; Jose Duran, a Junior middle clever boxer and fast puncher if not very potent, who bars not one in the top ten; plus 8 heavyweights, a quantity if not quality we never had before.

▲Pedro Carrsco is due to meet Mando Ramos at the Olympic in Los Angeles, to clear up the mess the WBC created after their tussle in Madrid last Nov. Mrs. Eaton secured the fight, paying Carrasco a healthy $60,000,-which although devaluated are still good enough. Pedro is already secluded in Las Matas, a resort near Madrid, owned by a Banker millionaire named Lopez Quesada, a real sportsman.

Urtain, at the same camp, is taking things seriously nowadays and preparing for a Chuvalo meeting by April in Madrid, and perhaps a voluntary defense of his recently captured EBU title by kayoing Jack Bodell in two heats. With only three years' experience, he can make it to the top if determined. Urtain spars and trains with old pro Greg Peralta, who can be of great value to the Basque.

▲Jose Hernandez, who was robbed in a draw last April with Carmelo Bossi, will be defending his EBU title in Paris against Jacques Kechichian, a tough French-Russian. If Hernandez does not meet Wajima this year, he'll have reason to holler at the WBC bosses. Our boy is one of the few deafmutes active in boxing. He's a versatile and handsome boy. His manager, Caballero, can holler for the whole team. He recently took Angel "Robinson" Garcia, a Cuban based in Barcelona, to Panama to fight the town sensation, Roberto Duran.

▲Miguel Velazquez is back in training and awaits a fight with Ken Buchanan, who lost to Miguel in an EBU tussle just two years ago. Ken is eager to wipe out the only blot in his otherwise superb record.

▲Agustin Senin is another destined to top honors if given the breaks. He gave Rudkin a pasting, knocking the Englishman down several times. Senin vs. Olivarez could be quite a brawl.

▲Baltimore, Md: Ralph Palladin, Baltimore's contender in the junior middleweight class, won a unanimous ten round decision over Harold Richardson, New York, at the Civic Center. Palladin came in at 162¾ pounds, the heaviest of his career. The extra weight slowed his speed and leg work. As the fight progressed Richardson gained confidence. Palladin, by virtue of his stamini and courage, fought his foe off and breezed to another win. He now stands at 23-2. Richardson had a 3¼ pound pull in the weights.

In a companion ten rounder Roland Pryor, 152½, Washington, D.C. won a split decision over Pete Toro, 150, of New York. Toro's left eye was cut in the first. Toro made a valiant effort to pull the bout out of the fire in the last two rounds with right hand shots to the body and hooks to the head, Pryor looked in trouble in both of the rounds but had enough to come through.

The four preliminary bouts all ended short of the scheduled distances. .Wild Bill Hardney, Washington, scored a one round kayo over Chico Corsey, by planting a shot in the breadbasket. Corsey, who hails from Chester, Pa. hit the deck and just couldn't rise as the wind was knocked out of him, in this light heavyweight match.

Mike Shaffer, Chester, Pa. welterweight, kayoed Washington's Claude Wade in the second round.

Ray Ayala, of New York, TKO'd Baltimore's Tony Fernandez in the 4th round. Tony was taking a shellacking when the referees stopped it.

Steve Holton TKO'd Joe Jefferson in the first round in this welterweight joust.

MIDDLETON BEATS DOYLE ● IN BALTIMORE CARNIVAL ●

By JOE POODLES, SR.

Baltimore, Md. — The Izzy Caplan-Buddy Wagner combine promoted a four ten round spectacular at the Baltimore Civic Center that drew 3,343 fans for a gross gate of $22,104.

Mack Lewis made a clean sweep with his stable of Baltimore boxers. Each of his charges won a decision. In the feature bout Larry Middleton, surprising heavyweight won the unanimous 10 round duke over Tony Doyle of Salt Lake City. Middleton gained ranking by decisioning Joe Bugner in England and has been clamoring for bigger game.

In Doyle, Larry was accomodated and a rugged battle resulted. There were no knockdowns. Most of the action took place 'inside' with heavy punishment dished out by both lads.

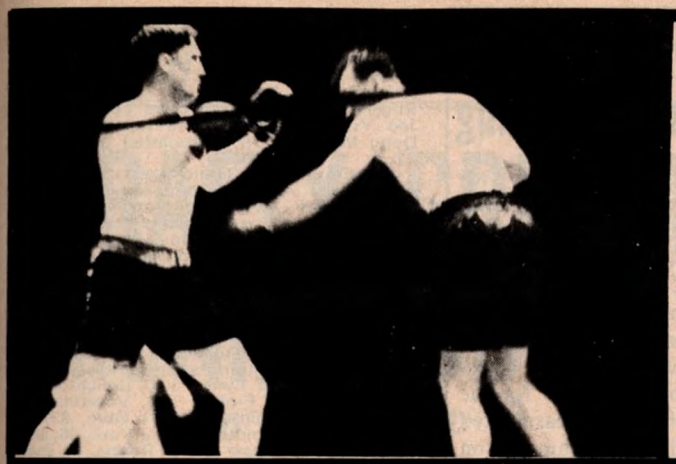
Referee Terry Moore scored it 48-44, judge Benny Goldstein had it 48-42, and judge Tom Kelly voted 49-44. Though the scores were onesided the fight was far from that.

The best bout was Vernon Mason's win over Johnny Gant of Washington, D. C. Coming into the bout Gant was ranked high in the junior welterweight class and was favored to win. Mason refused to be denied. He chased his foe throughout the ten rounds. When Gant got off his 'bike' to engage Mason punch for punch, Mason stood his ground and gave as much as he took and dished out a little more as Gant got out of those sallies by using his feet.

Josh Hall, Baltimore middleweight won a squeeker from Nick "The Bull" Peoples.

Alvin Anderson, Baltimore welterweight, had little trouble with Arthur Kettles of Asbury Park, N. J. Anderson has the punch. In the eighth round Anderson landed a sizzler that decked Kettles for a six count. Just as the bell ended the fight Kettles was dumped again.

In four, Charley Caughlin decisioned Johnny Shuffard of Martinsville, Virginia, in a light-heavyweight bout.



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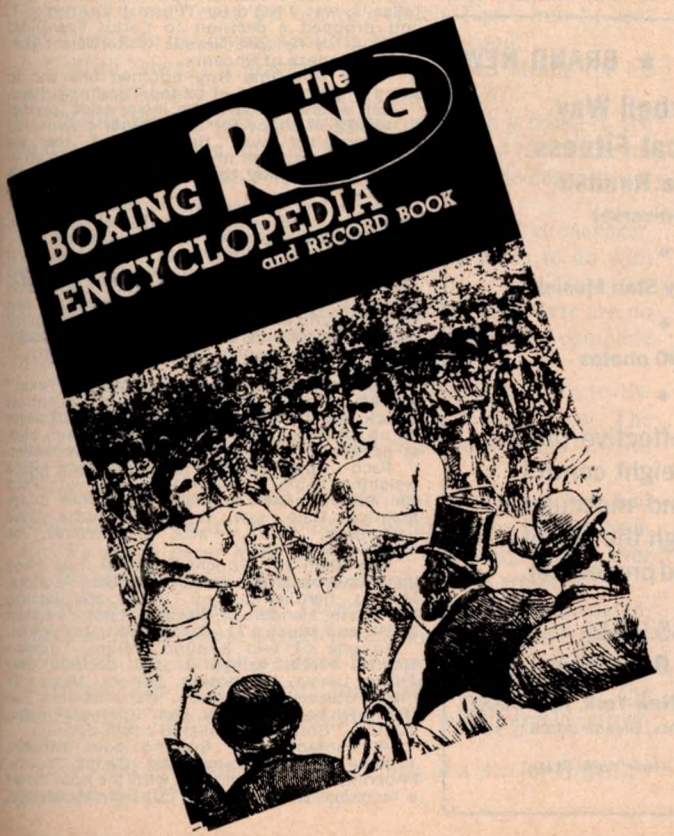

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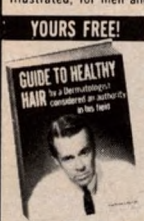

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Clay pulled down $25,000 for the matinee which should be earmarked for the 'un-earned income' bracket on his tax returns.

COLD OUTSIDE BUT • MARITIME AMATEURS PUT ON HOT ACTION •

By FRED BISHOP

Woodside, N.S., Canada: While professional fans are cooling their heels for the snow, ice and hockey to die out Les Sprague and his amateurs are keeping the home fires burning with some all-out action cards.

Paul Crawley, 158, from the Graham Craighton High School, outpointed Vince Brake, 161, Fall River, N.S., a good fight, toe to toe all the way.

Ian McGill, 210, was a kayo winner in one ever Gordie Ellis, 203, Don Finley, 119, Dartmouth Vocational School, outpointed Shawn Hall, 117, Craighton High.

▲**New Waterford, N.S.:** The Kinsmen Club of this town filled their hall with over 1,000 fans to witness a fine amateur show. The main event of three rounds had Frank Paris, 145, Truro, N.S. stopping local Tutty Campbell, 146, midway through the third.

Emerson Rose, 117, New Waterford, outpointed Kenny Oliver, 118, Truro and young Don Clarke, 120, Halifax, stopping Kim Byard, 118, Truro, in two.

▲**Woodside, N.S.:** Bunny Philips, 127, Mount Uniacke, N.S. outpointed Gary Weswell, 118, Dartmouth Vocational.

Kenny Fleet, 137, Vocational, just got by Roy Naugle, 138, Eastern Passage, by a split decision.

Billy MacDonald, 157, Vocational, outpointed Len Brake, 160, Fall River, Don Rogers, 95, outpointed Dave York, 96, while Joe York, 78, outpointed Ralph Power, 77. Doug McClaire, 76, outpointed Bobby York, 77.

▲**Halifax, N.S.:** Gerald Spears, chairman of the Halifax Athletic Commission, announced approval of two applicants to promote professional boxing in Halifax this year, Gerry Fraser, a former top rated Canadian middleweight and to Fred Bishop, who will be running shows at the Halifax Forum.

▲**Woodside:** Roy Naugle, 138, Eastern Passage, outpointed Calvin Gaugh, 137, Creighton High School, in a toe to toe war that had the crowd on their feet throughout. In the semi-final Bill MacDonald, 158, stopped Cliff Johnson, 160, Eastern Passage, midway through the third. Gordie Tynes, 116, Creighton High, outpointed Don Finley, 120, Vocational. Joe York, 84, outpointed Albert Gore, 83, Dale Naugle, 74, outpointed Bobby York, 76, and in the opener southpaw Steven Rogers, 73, shaded Tommy Royberg, 74.

▲**Woodside, N.S.:** Roy Naugle, 137, Eastern Passage, N.S. just got by well trained Kenny Fleet, 132, Dartmouth Vocational School.

Tiger Gordie Tynes, 120, stopped Nat Williams, 122, Dartmouth Vocational in the first as a Tynes left hook knocked the wind out of Williams. Don Rogers, 90, outpointed Dave York, 93, while Mike Smith 76, upset Tommy Reyberg 79, Steve Rogers 72, was a split winner over Bobby York, 76, and Mackie Naugle, 49, and Gerry Reyberg, 48, slugged their way to a good draw.

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FLORES WHIPS BARRIENTES, TUCSON CALLS IT "BEST YET"

By GIB CLARK

TUCSON, Ariz.—A Texas tornado personified by Roy Barrientes from Fort Worth, welterweight leader of Texas, whirled into Tucson and the new Community Center ring and tore into Tucson's junior welterweight Paco Flores, in the one of the most terrific fight yet seen here. Paco got the decision after 10 rounds.

"I hear he's fast," commented Barrientes pre-fight, "If he'll mix, I'll take him in six. I'm ready.

After reaching the top ten of Ring's ratings after corraling his first 15 wins by KO, Barrientes began going backwards.

After taking a 10-round decision from Percy Pugh; he lost a decision to Herbie Lee in New Orleans; was TKO'd by Thurman Durden in 7, and dropped a decision to Carlos Fernandez subbing for Arizona-Nevada welterweight star, David Oropeza of Phoenix.

In all this time Roy notched one win to bring a 17-3 record in to the Tucson vs. Paco.

Barrientes shrugged the losses aside, saying: "I wasn't in shape for those other clowns. My real problem was that I had the big head. . .tried to run my own show. That's all in the past. I'm ready to be on my way to the top now."

Barrientes barreled into Tucson in excellent condition, and, with Paco Flores always in superb shape, a terrific contest developed.

From the opening bell to round 6 it appeared that Paco was on his way to another take-command victory, his lightning-left snaking out to Barrientes' jaw, his exceptionally fast footwork and excellent counterpunching ability repeatedly scoring points, while his unusually keen reflexes enabled him to elude many of Barrientes' blows.

But in the sixth the "tornado from Texas" started to churn Barrientes began a relentless attack and from the 6th. to the final 10 never let up, throwing everything he had at Paco who, as game-hearted as they come, never retreated.

Paco ripped away at Barrientes. Paco weighing 145½ to Barrientes' 146, with Paco the better boxer emerging victorious Judge Maurice Dale saw it 97-97; judge Dave LaCompte, 99-98, Paco, and referee Joe Vozdik, 99-96, Paco.

The semi-10 brought together two good light-heavyweights, Bobby Rascon, Sonora, Mexico, fighting out of Tucson, and Battling Bill Marsh, Henderson, Nevada, Rascon weighed 172½, and Marsh 171. Rascon won, unanimous.

In one of two 8-round prelims, Tucson's Ramon Flores gained a split decision over Turko Levya, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico in the middleweight division. Welterweights Earl Henry Richard, Phoenix, and "Colorado" Felix, Tucson, "Colorado" collared a split decision.

A bantamweight 6-round bout between Johnny Mesa, Tucson, and Danny Young, Phoenix, was another riot, with the bout called a technical draw due to a cut over Mesa's eye.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

CRAFTY GRIFFITH EXPLODES MUNIZ BUBBLE WITH EASE

By DON FRASER

ANAHEIM, CALIF.–Emile Griffith, a slicker from New York, pulled a fast one on Armando Muniz, First, the five-time world champion showed up at the weigh-in scaling two pounds more than the 154 called for in the contract and insisted he couldn't get lower.

Then, before a capacity Anaheim Convention Center crowd of 8,100, which produced a gross gate of $61,047, the 33-year-old veteran scored a 10-round decision over the previously unbeaten youngster from East Los Angeles.

It was Griffith at his strongest and sharpest and he proceeded to give Muniz, the overwhelming crowd favorite, a lesson in the art of boxing.

Except for the third round, when Griffith staggered under a straight right that landed solidly on the jaw, there was little doubt about the outcome.

In his previous 17 fights, Muniz had been a bull. But against the crafty Griffith, Armando's charging tactics wouldn't work. Griffith would counter the first punch with a stinging right or left, then tie up the 24-year-old Muniz and whip him inside.

Other times, Griffith would land two or three blows in quick succession. Muniz, seemingly bewildered by it all, summed up his defeat rather well:

"He showed me just how inexperienced I am. Eighteen fights and I can't even get out of a clinch. That's how he beat me. There's no use crying about it. He's just good."

Griffith, always a gracious winner, praised Muniz for his courage and ability to take a punch, then added:

"In the third round, he staggered me with a right. In the fourth, he shook me up with a punch. I noticed him shake his head as if to say, 'I can't hurt him,' and I think he began to get discouraged."

Despite the one-sidedness of the fight, Muniz' co-manager, Jake Horn, felt Griffith's extra weight had much to do with the outcome.

"Mando was in the best shape of his life and there are no excuses." he said, "but when Griffith showed his complete disdain for the contract, it upset us all.

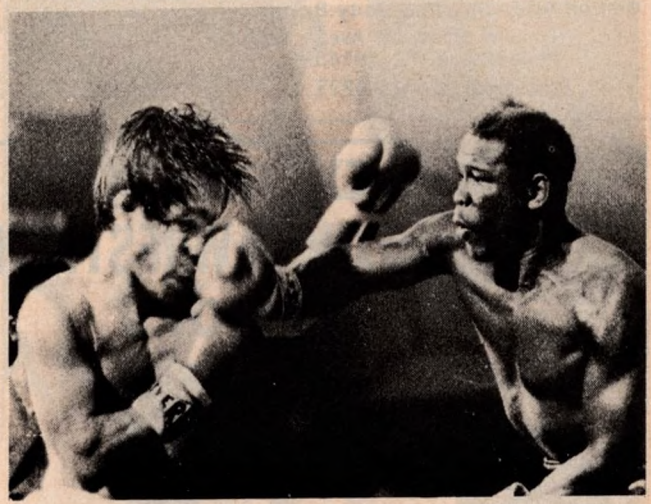
"We insisted at the weigh-in that Griffith get down to the weight agreed upon. He said he couldn't get any lower. The State Athletic Commission said all it could do was fine Griffith and his manager $100 apiece.

"We could have refused to fight, but so many tickets had been sold that we felt it would be unfair to the fans to back out. We would never have agreed to 154 pounds. It isn't over yet. We intend to protest. A contract should be honored."

Griffith's manager, Gil Clancy, said "We miscalculated. That's all. Emile's best weight is 157 and we couldn't get him lower than 156, tnough we dried him out on Friday."

It was the 87th fight for Griffith, who won the welterweight title three times and the middleweight crown twice.

The $100 fine won't represent much of a slice of Griffith's purse. He gets 27½% of the net gate.



Emile Griffith tosses a solid right which flattens the nose of Armando Muniz in the fourth round of their bout at the Anaheim Convention Center. Griffith won a 10-round unanimous decision.

Muniz received 30% and a lesson that may prove valuable.

Although the clever, still quick-handed Griffith punched holes in Muniz' defense, the loser never seemed in danger of going down. This was apparent even in the eighth when Griffith was punching to the head at will with both hands.

Judges Lee Grossman and Larry Rozadilla scored the fight 9-1, but referee John Thomas was more generous to the loser, 7-3.

David Diaz, 128, Long Beach, stopped Jerry Williams, 130, Santa Ana, (8); Frankie Gastellum, 149, Santa Ana, decisioned Rosario Zavala, 144, San Diego, (6); Tommy Velasquez, 136, Anaheim, and Sal Ceja, 137, Los Angeles, drew (4).

▲The awesome knockout record of Sal Martinez, 155, Mexico, didn't faze Ernie (Indian Red) Lopez, 153, Oram, Utah, at the Olympic here.

Martinez, who had KOd 80 percent of his opponents, proved to be one of Red's easiest conquests. The Ute Indian knocked him out in the third round.

Though he won going away, Lopez came out of the battle with a lacerated chin. He finished off Martinez with body and head combos.

Danny (Little Red) Lopez, 120, Oram, collected another impressive KO win. Young Lopez flattened Jose Orantes, 117½, Mexico, in the second round of their scheduled ten.

The attendance was 5170 and the gate a rousing $19,371.

Felipe Cesena, 121½, Los Angeles, and Jewel Chappell, 121½, Santa Monica, drew (5); Robert Villanueva, 159½, Los Angeles, decisioned Frankie Lopez, 157, East Los Angeles, (4); Roberto Bonilla, 154, Puerto Rico, outpointed Leo Becerra, 147½, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**STOCKTON**–Steve Ewell, 159½, Oakland, made his main event debut at Civic Auditorium, winning over Jose Macias, 164, Mexico, in the 10 round feature.

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TWO PHILIPPINE TITLES ● SETTLED, AGBON WINNER ●

By FELIPE GALANG

Manila, P.I. — Two national titles were up for grabs in recent fights. Johnny Agbon stopped Sid Vicera in the tenth round of a 12 for the bantam title. Socrates Batoto beat Catalino Flores, unanimous decision in 12, for flyweight honors. Philippine results:

Buddy Billiones (112) won over Johnny Castro (111) by majority decision in 10.

Dick Arcega (112) won over Dommy Velardo (111) by TKO in the 3rd round.

Rolando Malinao (130) won over Joey Bun (129) by split decision in 10.

Fred Magallano (114) drew with Pablo Roldan (115) by split draw in 10.

Speedy Castro (112) won over Dick Arcega (110— by majority decision, 10 rounds.

Frank Nituda (132) won over Al Bencito (131) by unanimous decision in 10.

Jimmy Noel (133) won over Flash Gallego (133), split decision in 10.

Rudy Baro (140) won over Cris Pasumil (144) by unanimous decision in 10.

Peter Noble (112) won over Carlos Rebancos (111) by unanimous decision in 10.

Alfredo Avila (124) won over Ysmael Francisco (125) by TKO in the 5th round.

Rey de la Cruz (112) won over Rudy Pilapil (112) by TKO in the 4th round.

Virgilio Garcia (114) won over Joe Grande (114) by unanimous decision in 10.

Saleman Ithi-Anuchit (135) drew with Ely Yares (135) in 10.

Doroteo Cubillas (121) won over Ric Quijano (120) by split decision in 10.

Sal Aguilar (118) won over Roger Bernales (116) by TKO in the 1st round.

Jose Alojado (111) drew with Joe Canico (112) in a 10 round bout. (Jan. 15)

Alex Sumailo (111) won over Flash Geronimo (110) by split decision in 10.

Loreto Perez (119) won over Billy Arce (119) by unanimous decision in 10.

Vic Espinosa (126) won over Jun Villegas (126) by TKO in the 9th round.

Johnny Castro (111) won over Dick Arcega (112) by KO in the 6th round.

Rogelio Policar (110) won over Dio Santos (110) by unanimous decision in 10.

Johnny Agbon (115) won over Sid Vicera (116) by KO in the 10th of a 12 round bout. (Bantamweight championship of P.I.)

Socrates Batoto (110) won over Catalino Flores (111) by unanimous decision in a 12 round bout. (RF Flyweight championship)

Al Gutierrez (112) won over Francisco Cruz (112) by majority decision in 10.

Roberto Despi (130) won over Efren Buenafe (131) by TKO in the 8th round.

Jimmy Noel, 132, former P.I. junior lightweight champion, defeated Flash Gallego, 130 and junior lightweight champion of the Philippines in a 10 round non title bout at the Coliseum.

Gallego seemed to lose all his cleverness and sharpnest against his older opponent. Jimmy proved his toughness by receiving Gallego's sunday punches standing up.

Rudy Barro, 140 from Mindanao decisioned Cris Pasumil, 140, Pampanga Sugar Mills, in another 10 rounds. Cris was strong but slow while Rudy was faster and more clever.

Peter Noble, 111, defeated Carlos Rebanços, 112, in 10 rounds. These boys started the fireworks from the very start and gave the best show of the evening. Peter won by a slight margin. Alfredo Avila, 124, bested Y. Francisco, 125 in another tenner.

In the 6 round special Nonito Canones, 130, and Tony Francisco, 129 drew. Rudy Marfil, 111, lost to Cruz, Jr., 112, in 8 rounds. Rado Broncano, 130, beat Carlos Catsuela, 132, in 8. Oscar Barula, 125, bested Julius Delgado, 126, in 6.

Ely Barrios, 118, from Bicolandia, beat Kid Gacita, 118, in 8 rounds in Ringside 9, a televised boxing show. Barrios was fast and strong. It became a one-sided bout.

Felipe Lopez, 120 stopped Cassius Gerry, 119, in second round. and Boy Rapada, 112, bested Lindo Herman in 6.

The Games and Amusements Board has named Ben Villaflor, a feather, the Boxer of the Year. Ben won all his bouts in Honolulu and kayoed 10 opponents in 11 bouts.

HERNANDEZ GETS REVENGE, ● STANDER CLOSE LOSER ●

By ROBERT J. RUIZ

Milwaukee, Wisc. — Art Hernandez, 169, Des Moines, reversed his points loss to Bobby Harrington, 168, N. Y. Art won a clear cut verdict in the ten rounder, unanimous decision.

Hernandez was out of action for some time. He returned to the ring in Des Moines where the former Omahan lost to Harrington. They have fought three times, with Art winning twice.

Morris Jackson, 218, Omaha, dropped a split decision to Larry Beilfuss, 238, Milwaukee, in six.

Frankie Formaro, Des Moines, won a five round unanimous decision over Chuck Hernandez (Art's brother) in a middleweight fight.

▲Ron Stander, 220, Iowa saw his winning streak brought to a halt by Reco Brooks, 220, Phoenix who won split decision after ten rounds.

At Denver one judge voted for Stander but was overruled by the other two votes in favor of Brooks. Ronnie is now 21-1-1, having suffered the first defeat of his career.

Brooks stretched his winning streak to twelve. However, Stander doesn't intend to let Brooks get away with that win any longer than it takes to say "Rematch".

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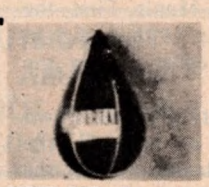

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Finnegan Europe's Champion, Rudkin Fights Off Clark

By EDDIE LONG

London, England – Chris Finnegan, 171, one of Britain's real battlers, is the new light heavyweight champion of Europe. Finnegan took the title away from Germany's Conny Velensek, 173¾, by unanimous decision, in Nottingham's Ice Stadium.

Velensek, somewhat older than Finnegan, and inclined to baldness, took the defeat in good spirits and after the fight, held up Finnegan's arm in token of submission.

Finnegan came out of the contest with cut eyes. He won, but Velensek put up a fight.

Just where Finnegan goes from there is one of the mysteries he has to solve for himself. Is he good enough to challenge Bob Foster, the world champion of the 175 pounders? Or Vicente Rondon, the No. 1 contender?

Finnegan beat Velensek in 15 rounds by 71-67, on referee Bernard Mascot's count. There were two judges. Kaiser, Luxemburg, saw it 72-67 and Desgain, Luxemburg, 74-67.

When they met in Berlin last May for Velensek's title, the result was a draw, most spectators thinking that Finnegan had won comfortably. This time he made no mistake, but full marks to Velensek for as plucky a performance as we have seen for a long time.

Velensek would not concede defeat, even though he was being caught with countless right jabs from southpaw Finnegan. The German had a cut over the left eye, a bleeding nose and other facial marks. Finnegan himself had cuts under both eyes.

After dominating the fight, it was just a matter of whether Finnegan would stop his man, and in the 13th round when referee Mascot stopped the action to look at Velensek's eye injury it seemed that he was going to intervene. In fact, the Frenchman's cornermen were already climbing through the ropes when the official waved them back, and ordered the fight to continue.

Both were weary in the final stages, but Finnegan kept control in spite of Velensek's rushing tactics, and the cleaner punching throughout came from the Britisher. Points-wise an easy win for Chris, but he certainly knew he had been in a fight.

On the same bill the vacant British lightweight title was won by Willie Reilly, Glasgow, 132½, who beat Jim Watt, also from Glasgow, 132¼, the bout being stopped in the 10th when Watt's right eye was injured.

The title became vacant when Ken Buchanan, another Scot, gave it up.

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Conny Velensek holds up the arm of Chris Finnegan denoting his winning of the European light heavyweight title from the German boxer via a 15-round decision at Nottingham, England.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

AS OF MARCH 15, 1972

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Jack Bodell (E)

1. George Chuvalo (C)
2. Danny McAlinden (I)
3. Joe Bugner (E)
4. Bill Drover (C)
5. Billy Aird (E)
6. Bunny Johnson (J)
7. Rocky Campbell (An.)
8. Richard Dunn (E)
9. Mani Vaka (T)
10. Foster Bibron (A)

CRUISERWEIGHT

Champion
Chris Finnegan (E)

1. Gomeo Brennan (Bah.)
2. Eddie Avoth (W)
3. Lloyd Walford (J)
4. Roy John (W)
5. Johnny Frankham (E)
6. Dave Hawkes (E)
7. Guinea Roger (N)
8. John Conteh (E)
9. Johnny Gorkum (A)
10. Ronnie Wilson (C)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Bunny Sterling (J)

1. Tony Mundine (A)
2. Matt Donovan (J)
3. Carlos Marks (T)
4. Les McAteer (E)
5. Harry Scott (E)
6. Donato Paduano (C)
7. Eric Blake (E)
8. Howard Sharpe (J)
9. Mark Rowe (E)
10. Kevin Finnegan (E)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Ralph Charles (E)

1. Clyde Gray (C)
2. Peter Cobblah (G)
3. Bunny Grant (J)
4. Bernie Terrell (E)
5. Eddie Blay (G)
6. Rey Cantin (C)
7. Ricky Porter (e)
8. Wayne Bannister (A)
9. Bobby Arthur (E)
10. Les Pearson (E)

LIGHTWEIGHHT

Champion
Percy Hayles (J)

1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Joe Tetteh (G)
3. Al Ford (C)
4. Manny Santos (NZ)
5. Jeff White (A)
6. John O'Brien (S)
7. Willie Reilly (S)
8. Jim Watt (S)
9. Hector Thompson (A)
10. Rex Redfern (NZ)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Champion
Toro George (NZ)

1. Love Allotey (G)
2. Evan Armstrong (S)
3. Jimmy Bell (S)
4. Tommy Glencross (S)
5. Howard Hayes (E)
6. Lucky Gattellari (A)
7. Bill Moeller (A)
8. Rocky McDougall (C)
9. Billy McGrandle (C)
10. Les Gillis (C)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Alan Rudkin (E)

1. Johnny Clark (E)
2. Paul Ferreri (A)
3. John Kellie (S)
4. Dave Needham (E)
5. Paddy Maguire (I)
6. Paddy Graham (I)
7. Colin Miles (W)
8. Joe Annetta (A)
9. Willie Leslie (A)
10. Eric Elderfield (E)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion
Henry Nissen (A)

1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Harry Hayes (A)

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COMEBACK ORTIZ SCORES ● TWICE IN NEW ENGLAND ●

By DON HAMILL

BOSTON, MASS. Boxing in New England was limited to two clubs during the past month. Portland, Me. and Waltham, Mass. operated each week. Former world's lightweight champion Carlos Ortiz made two appearances, one at each club. New England featherweight leader, Phil Hudson of Portland, fought twice. In the second of his two winning ventures, he successfully defended his title against veteran Carlos Zayas.

▲**PORTLAND**—Phil Hudson, 127, Portland, garnered a lop-sided ten round decision over Billy Wade, 127, New York. It was a poor fight, not because of Hudson, lacked initiative. He fought a defensive fight, running, holding, bobbying and weaving to stay out of trouble.

Macka Foley, 174, Portland, scored a fifth round knockdown in taking a six round decision over Walter Hogan, 165, New York. Willie Martin, 124, New York, built up an early lead and then withstood the late rally of Phil St. Cyr, 129, Gorham, to win a unanimous decision in six rounds. Carlos Cruz, 139, New York, won a four round decision over George Gosselin, 139, Lewiston. Don Patchell, 132, Portland, candlepin bowling star, returned to the ring after several years to stop Neil Baxter, 127, Lowell, in the first round.

▲**WALTHAM**—Unbeaten Donnie Sennett, 135, Waltham, scored his 21st win, with only a draw marring his perfect record, by taking a unanimous eight round nod over Ivelaw Eastman, 133, New York, Eastman built up an early lead as he scored in the first three rounds. Sennett came on in the middle rounds and finished the bout with a salvo that helped him eke out the win.

Tommy Grant, 131, Dorchester, stopped Jose Pagon, 135, Lowell, in the seventh of the scheduled eight round co-feature. Antonio Durango, 147, Panama, was hard pressed in taking a six round decision over Cocoa Kid, 152, New Haven. Larry Sykes, 183, Hartford, stopped Joe Young, also 183, New York, in the second round.

▲**PORTLAND**—Carlos Ortiz, 139½, former world lightweight champion, halted Terry Rondeau, 135, Pittsfield, Mass., in the fourth round. Ortiz stalked while Rondeau retreated. Late in the third round a left hook dropped Rondeau but the bell came to his rescue. Ortiz wasted little time in the fourth, dropping Terry twice in that heat. The second time Rondeau went down referee Pete Bennett called a halt.

Jesse Crown, 215, Portland, lost to Marc Hans, 195, Boston, who stopped him in the fifth round. Crown scored with some sharp punches in the early going but was spilled in the third round. Jesse was dropped again in the fourth round but weathered a severe pounding to last the heat.

The assault continued into the fifth round before Referee Bennett stopped the bout as Crown went down again.

A body attack by Phil St. Cyr, 131, Gorham, kept Jose Curet, 135, Lowell, from answering the bell for the fourth round. Jose Pagon, 146, Lowell, barely edged Larry Michaud, 150, Portland, in the four spot.

▲**WALTHAM**—Doug Kirk, 190, Lowell, continues unbeaten. He stopped Jesse Crown, 212, Portland, in the first round. Both came out winging and the end was quite sudden. Kirk caught Crown with a solid right.

The co-feature was to send veteran Joe DeNucci against Walter Hogan but it was Al Sacco who showed to fight. Sacco was not approved and the fans were treated to a four round exhibition by DeNucci and Carlos Marks, of Trinidad. Jackie Brady, 144, Lowell, suffered his first defeat when he was stopped in the fifth round by Hector Perez, 143, New York. The bout was even and a slug-fest until Brady was unable to continue after being decked in the fifth round. Angel Torres, 137, Pawtucket, had too much punch for the more experienced Benito Vega, 133, New York, whom he stopped in the fifth round. Don Gladdis, 125, New York, knocked out Spider Murphy, 129, Lowell, in the first round.

▲**PORTLAND**—Phil Hudson, 125, Portland, used his height, reach, and skill to successfully defend his New England featherweight lead against Carlos Zayas, 124, Holyoke. The sharper Hudson scored well throughout. Zayas came on strong, scoring points with an overhand right over Hudson's jab to take the 10th and 11th rounds but tired and Hudson romped through the final heat to the win.

Bob Benoit, 179, Oakham, had too much savvy for Joe Young, 188, New York, and took the eight round co-feature. Bob Grant, 180, Yarmouth, knocked out Ted Williams, 202, Asbury Park, N.J., in the third round of their sixer. Jose Pagon, 147, Lowell, scored knockdowns in the third and fourth rounds but Larry Michaud, 150, Portland, came on strong to hold Pagon to a split decision after six.

▲**WALTHAM**—Carlos Ortiz, 144, New York, made his second New England appearance a winning one against Ivelaw Eastman, 140, New York, by halting the British Guiana native in the second round. In the second round a swinging right to the midsection dropped Eastman. Ortiz wasted little time and dropped him again with a left hook digging deep into Eastman's ribs. Referee Ed Bradley intervened.

Macka Foley, 182, Portland, took a six round duke over George Holden, 182, Medford. Joe Francis, 158, Manchester, N.H., launched his comeback with a six round draw with Johnny Rivera, 155, New York. Also ending up all-even were Jesus Alicia, 137, Holyoke, and Jose Pagon, 140, Lowell, also in six heats.

● NOTES FROM THE COAST ●

By ABE HOCHHEISER

Los Angeles, Cal. — Veteran Des Moines promoter Pinkie George has set up offices at the Los Angeles Elks Club with the intention of adding California to his promotional enterprises.

In Iowa George is known as "Mr. Boxing." He was an excellent bantam-featherweight boxer during the 20's. He also managed boxers Johnny Paychek, Lee Savold, Glen Flanagan and Abel Cestac. Has been promoting in Des Moines for the past 40 years. Those who appeared on his shows were Mickey Walker, Barney Ross, Tony Zale, Al Ettore, Willie Joyce, Lee Oma and Jerry Quarry.

Belle Martell, who together with her husband Art promoted amateur boxing at the Olympic Auditorium and Jeffries Barn has died.

Mrs. Martell was the first licensed woman promoter, referee, timekeeper and announcer in California. In attendance at her funeral were Jimmy McLarnin, Georgie Levine, Frankie Garcia, Frankie Goodman, Sid Marks, George Parnassus, Suey Welch and Mushy Callahan.

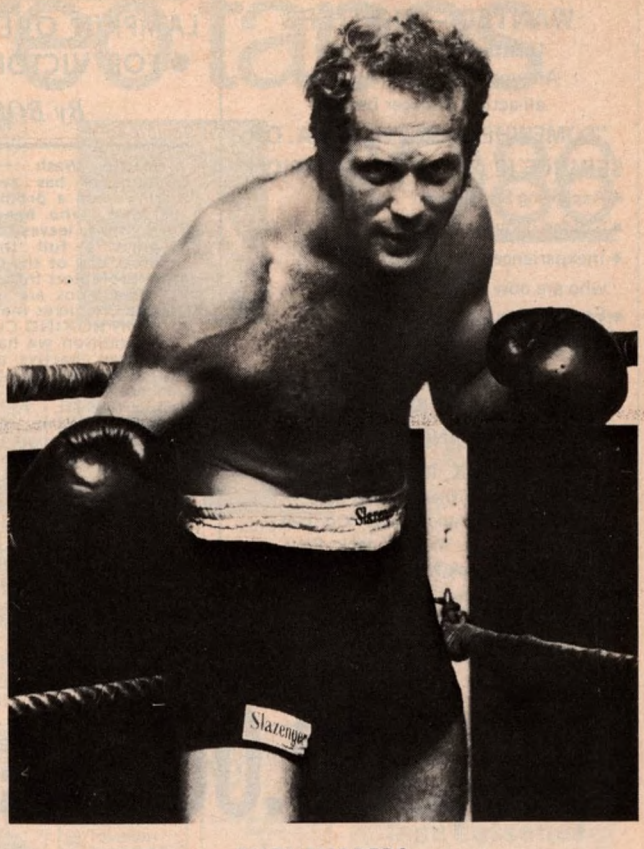
Mel Epstein, who once promoted boxing at Butte, Montana, and later moved to Eugene, Oregon to manage fighters now resides in Los Angeles and is managing local middleweight Mike Nixon. . .Bill Daly, who managed top name heavyweights Lee Savold and Pat Comiskey and former lightweight champion Carlos Ortiz, now lives in Santurce, Puerto Rico, and manages international heavyweight Joe "King" Roman.

Sugar Ray Robinson works out daily at Howie Steindler's Main Street gym. . .Noted West Coast manager-trainer Johnny Villaflor home and okay after illness. . .Andy Neiderreiter, who managed Johnny Indrisano, Andy Divodi and Eddie Ran, good welterweights of the 30's, and who also promoted at Brooklyn's Ebbets Field, now lives in San Diego, Cal. . .Mickey Soldier Farr, who promoted the Zale-Graziano title bout at Chicago, is a Los Angeles resident. . .Rudy Campa, welterweight boxer of the 40's who fought Torpedo Reed, Pat Scanlon, Ruby Kessler and Freddie Archer, died at Sawtelle veterans hospital. Frankie Van, former referee and motion picture technical adviser owns a health club and boxing gym in Hollywood.

Pete Sarmiento, bantamweight of the 20's who fought Bud Taylor, Charley "Phil" Rosenberg, Eddie Cannonball Martin, Joe Lynch and Abe Goldstein, is retired and lives in San Pedro. . .Jimmy Red Elby, middleweight of the 50's from Toledo, who fought Ted Bussey, Gordon Wallace and Gene Boland, lives in California and owns a tavern in Van Nuys. . .Charlie Norkus, heavyweight of the 40's and 50's who fought Ezzard Charles, Roland LaStarza and Cesar Brion, is sales representative for Seagram Liquor in New York. . .Former manager Jimmy Grippo now appearing at Caesar's Palace in Vegas as a magician-mentalist has received a certificate of appreciation from the City of Las Vegas for charitable work. . .Grippo managed former lightheavyweight champ Melio Bettina. . .Frank Battaglia, middleweight of the 30's, who fought Gorilla Jones, Ben Jeby, Freddie Steele and Solly Krieger, lives in Santa Monica, Cal. . . .Jerry Bilderrain, who fought Carmen Basilio under the ring name of Jerry Drain and served in the U.S. Navy during World War Two . .together with Georgie Abrams and Ken Overlin, is one of the instructors at the Los Angeles Elks Club YMCA. . .The 18th annual newsboy dinner at San Francisco honoring former boxers who were newspaper boys in their youth had in attendance Jimmy McLarnin, Mushy Callahan, Georgie Levine, Joe Benjamin, Millio Militti, Jack Silver, Joe Roche, Sailor Joe Kosky, Ray Lunny, Vic Grupico, Johnny Smith, Newsboy Millich, Newsboy Joe Garvas, Joey Dillon, Johnny Farr, Frankie Carter, Jack Powell, Johnny Foster, Jimmy Murray, Benny Ford, California Joe Lynch, Joe Herman, Floyd "Red" Taylor, Babe Griffin, Billy Mahoney and Jack Downey. . .The 3rd Annual California Oldtimers Boxing Hall of Fame dinner will be held next September at Fresno.

PUDDU KEEPS LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE, BEATING LE JAOUEN

By J. A. TREE



RUDI LUBBERS

Berlin, Germany—In the first European championship contest of 1972, lightweight champion Antonio Puddu of Italy decisioned Jean Pierre LeJaouen, France, 15 rounds in Milan. All officials voted in favor of Puddu.

Referee Neuhold, Switzerland, scored it 73-66, judges Sanchez Villa, 71-70, and Ben Brill, Holland, 70-67.

European light heavyweight champion Conny Velensek travelled to Nottingham, England, and returned home without his crown. He was outpointed by Chris Finnegan, 15.

The German had reigned for 375 days, having won the title from Piero del Papa, Italy.

In a defense against Finnegan in Berlin last May points were shared caused by eccentric arithmetic by some of the officials. In a little more than three years, Finnegan has won the ABA title, collected an Olympic Gold Medal and captured the European crown, a title no Briton has held since Don Cockell reigned some 20 years ago. Chris is set on a bout with the world champion.

Italian newspapers erroneously reported that Nino Benvenuti would return to the ring. Nino says, "There will be no comeback."

European junior middleweight champion Jose Hernandez, Spain, was slightly injured in a car accident in Barcelona.

Hans Breitenstrater, German heavyweight champion in 1920, died a few days before his 75th birthday. Bad luck had struck twice in 1971 for Hans. He was knocked over by a car on two occasions. Injuries to the head caused his death.

Hans's record contains Tom Cowler, Harry Reeve, Harry Drake, Rocky Knight, Larry Gains, Billy Cook, George Cook, Gypsy Daniels, and Paolino Uzcudun.

Cemal Kamaci, Austrian-based Turk, travelled home to Istanbul to face Baldassare Picone, France. Five thousand saw their hero finish the fight in five rounds when the Frenchman called it good-bye.

Dutch heavyweight champion Rudi Lubbers outpointed former European light heavyweight champion Piero del Papa, ten in Rotterdam. *(Continued on page 60)*

EUROPEAN RATINGS

AS OF MARCH 20, 1972

Heavyweights
*1. Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain (S)
2. Jurgen Blin (G)
3. Dante Cane (I)
4. Bepi Ros (I)
5. Mario Baruzzi (I)
6. Rudi Lubbers (H)
7. Armando Zanini (I)
8. Horst Benedens (G)
9. Giorgi Bambini (I)
10. Christian Poncelet (F)

Light Heavies
*1. Chris Finnegan (GB)
2. Conny Velensek (G)
3. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
4. Piero Del Papa (I)
5. Jan Lubbers (H)
6. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
7. Gianfranco Macchia (I)
8. Guerrino Scattolin (I)
9. Renzo Grespan (I)
10. Bas van Duivenbode (H)

Middleweights
*1. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
2. Carlos Duran (I)
3. Tom Bogs (D)
4. Fabio Bettini (F)
5. Nessim Cohen (F)
6. Luiciano Sarti (I)
7. Mario Romersi (I)
8. Mario Almanzo (I)
9. Tom Jensen (D)
10. Hans Dieter Schwartz (G)

Junior Middles
*1. Jose Hernandez (S)
2. Carmelo Bossi (I)
3. Jacques Kechichian (F)
4. Jose Duran (S)
5. Dominico Tiberia (I)
6. Carlos San Jose (S)
7. Angel Guinaldo (S)
8. Aldo Battistutta (I)
9. Johann Orsolics (A)
10. Remo Golfarini (I)

Welterweights
*1. Roger Menetrey (F)
2. Robert Gallois (F)
3. Silvano Bertini (I)
4. Marcel Cerdan (F)
5. Jorgen Hansen (D)
6. Alberto Torri (I)
7. Marco Scano (I)
8. Dopico Gonzalez (S)
9. Antonio Torres (S)
10. Franci Vermandere (F)

Junior Welterweights
(Title Vacant)
1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Rene Roque (F)
3. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
4. Roger Zami (F)
5. Cemal Kamaci (A)
6. Toni Ortiz (S)
7. Barrera Corpas (S)
8. Piero Ceru (I)
9. Maurice Tavant (F)
10. Ermano Fasoli (I)

Lightweights
*1. Antonio Puddu (I)
2. Pedro Carrasco (S)
3. Miguel Velazquez (S)
4. Enzo Petriglia (I)
5. Enzo Pizzoni (I)
6. Pierre LaBaouen (F)
7. Claude Thomias (F)
8. Kid Tano (S)
9. Leonard Tavarres (S)
10. Jesus Zarko (S)

Junior Lights
*1. Tommaso Galli (I)
2. Jean De Keers (B)
3. Lothar Abend (G)
4. Mario Sanna (I)
5. Mario Redi (I)
6. Giorgio Merlin (I)
7. Ugo Poli (I)
8. Bruno Freschi (I)
9. Gitano Jiminez (S)
10. Domingo Jiminez (S)

Featherweights
*1. Jose Legra (S)
2. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
3. Daniel Vermandere (F)
4. Augusto Civardi (I)
5. Elio Cotena (I)
6. Maurice Cordier (F)
7. Luis Aisa (S)
8. Jean Anton (F)
9. Renato Galli (I)
10. Domenico Chiloire (I)

Bantamweights
*1. Augustin Senin (S)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Toni Sassarino (I)
4. Enzo Farinelli (I)
5. Bob Allotey (S)
6. Guy Caudron (F)
7. Marc van Domme (B)
8. Ambrogio Mariani (I)
9. Pierre Vetroff (F)
10. Totu Martin (S)

Flyweights
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
4. Dino Contemori (I)
5. Luigio Boschi (I)
6. Gerard Macrez (F)
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LAMPKIN OVER MONTGOMERY ● FOR VICTORY NUMBER 15 ●

By BOB DECKER

Seattle, Wash. — The Washington State Commission has awarded to the VALWES Boxing Club a promotional license in Seattle. Joe West, who handles Fraser Scott and Al Ford, thus leaves the managerial ranks and becomes a full time matchmaker. Seattle becomes one of the few cities in the USA with more promoters than managers.

Three clubs are active here, ATLAS (with George Chemeres matchmaker), VALWES, and ACTION BOXING CLUB (Larry VanDyke).

In addition we have two other clubs which have been inactive during the last year, Jack Hurley's SEATTLE BOXING CLUB and Inigo Lucchesi's ELLIOTT BAY BOXING CLUB.

Lightweight, AL FORD, Champion of Canada and one of its best pros, may be considering hanging up the gloves. After winning 40 bouts with only a "home town" loss to Percy Hayles to mar his record, Ford's weight has ballooned to over 150 pounds and he hasn't been seen in a gym for two months.

In the December issue of Ring the weight of MAC MILLER was given as 174. This should have been 147. The Editor's comment on "bad matchmaking" was made in the belief that a 174 pounder had ko'd a 145 pounder. Likewise in the February issue the comment "mismatch" was prompted by the Editor believing that Scott (a lightheavyweight) had fought a lightweight (Al Foster). Actually both matches produced exciting preliminaries to a great main event, the Kendall-Vasquez fight.

▲Portland's RAY LAMPKIN, 15 wins and 1 draw, fought his first 10 round main event on Frank Sturgill's second Portland promotion. He scored an impressive decision over Sugar Montgomery of San Jose and had Montgomery on the deck in both the 5th and 9th.

Lampkin, 136 pounds, is one of the most impressive lightweights this writer has seen. Ray is tall with good reach, has a good punch and fast hands and can move with the best of them.

A match between the Pacific Northwest lightweight Champ Al Scooter Meza or Al Ford would draw well in Portland. Lampkin was considered the underdog by most fans going into the Montgomery fight. However, the Portland lightweight "pitched a shutout" over his 23 year old foe.

In a 10 round preliminary Renton's MIKE LANKESTER won his 10th. bout without a loss by stopping veteran BILLY MARSH in the 5th. round. Lankester thus scored his 8th pro knockout. Marsh looked so bad the Portland Commission is recommending the well traveled trial horse be retired.

In a pair of 6 rounders that utilized a couple of last minute substitutes, Maurice Rice, 170, gave away 20 pounds but still won the decision over Nat Green, and Portland welterweight George Mankins won easily over Pepper Brown.

Rice filled in for Chuck Borden while Brown returned to action after a three year layoff to fill in for one "Lou Scarponi" of Vancouver, B.C.

Both Vancouver fighters are handled by Jimmy Johnson. The Portland card came up with two substitutes that gave the fans their money's worth.

▲Seattle fans weren't as lucky as two substitutes were ko'd in the first round and one of the best cards in recent Seattle history was turned into just a so-so affair. Seattle's GARY FERRARI was set for his biggest pro test against Portland's Richie Sue for the Northwest featherweight championship. Sue had to pull out 5 days before the bout because of an eye injury suffered furing training. Whether the 27 year old Sue can come back only time will tell. Until the announcement that Sue wouldn't show ticket sales indicated one of the biggest gates in the last two years.

Sue's substitute, Davy Pierson, who recently met Jesus Pimentel in Honolulu, was knocked cold at 2:21 of the first round. Ferrari, 127, landed a right to the head and followed it with a double left hook to drop the 130 pound Pierson. Ferrari's record stands at 18-1-1.

In the second 10 rounder CHARLIE RENO, trimmed down to 232, gave one of his best performances but still dropped a split decision to 187 pound Fred Preacher Lewis of Colorado Springs. Lewis is actually a light-heavyweight. Lewis punches hard and can't get bouts against top boys.

Seattle's AL FOSTER, 134, decisioned Jose Olvera, 130, in 6 rounds and Seattle's BOB JARVIS scored a first round KO over EARL EMHOOLAH, who had won all 8 of his bouts during 1969 and 1970. Jarvis is one of the hardest punchers among the sectional light-heavyweights and scored his third knockout, against one loss by decision.

Emhoolah was a replacement called upon when Portland's Bill Cross decided that he didn't really want to fight.

Seattle oldtimers were saddened to hear that Perry ABIE ISRAEL, a great featherweight who retired in 1937, had died recently in Oakland. ABIE was a cousin of "Peg" Piha and Dottie Venable (brother and sister team) managers of the BULL n' BEAR restaurant in Seattle. ABIE boxed in the Northwest for 10 years, losing to Freddie Miller in 1933.

▲Sammy Santos, former Pacific Coast lightweight champion, died in Seattle at the age of 69. Between 1923 and 1933, Sammy fought most of the top lightweights on the coast and in 1927 scored a one round knockout over Ray Miller in Cleveland.

He defeated Doc Snell in Seattle and lost a pair of hard fought decisions to Tod Morgan. Santos retired because of eye problems.

The first month of 1972 also saw the passing of FRANKIE BATTAGLIA, a middleweight who campaigned mostly in California and the mid-West. He fought Freddie Steele for the middleweight title in 1937.

▲**Eugene, Oregon:** Unbeaten John L. Sullivan scored his 6th knockout and 7th win as he stopped San Francisco's Leon Linscomb, 156½, in the 5th round. Sullivan has shown 5 times in Eugene and is considered a local boy although he hails from Spirit Lake, Idaho.

Sullivan appears to be the best title hope active in the Pacific Northwest. He can punch, is a good boxer, takes a good shot and has the color and spark.

In an 8 round semi-windup North Bend's DAVY ROGERS scored a second round ko over Vancouver's Kalman Santosi, who is approaching journey's end. Seattle's Maurice Rice stopped The Koroseta Kid, of San Jose, in the 7th round of a lightheavyweight bout.

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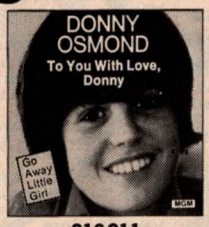

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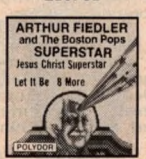

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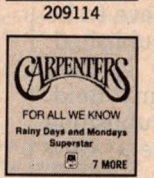

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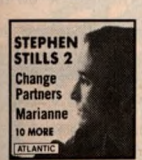

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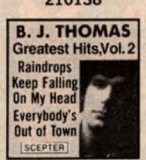

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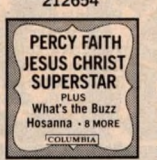

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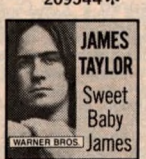

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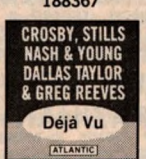

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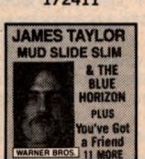

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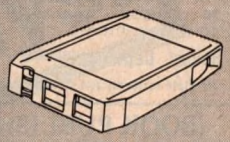

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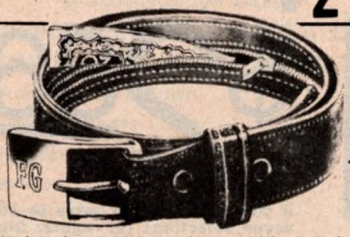

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ARGENTINE BOXING LACKS INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE

By SIMON BRONENBERG and ALFREDO PORZIO

Buenos Aires, Argentina — Boxing in this country lately has had no international aspects. It is reported here that Oscar Bonavena finally has decided to fight Floyd Patterson in New York. Argentinians await this result with keen interest. The results:

▲**Bahia Blanca:** Feather Ramon Duarte outpointed Jovel Fuentes in 10 rounds.

▲**Rosario:** Welter Toribio Mansilla whipped Raul Fleita in 10. Ramon Herrera beat Carlos Ocampo in 5 (Medical decision).

▲**Concepcion del Uruguay:** Welter Luis Garcilazo kayoed Francisco Fernandez in eight round.

▲**San Juan:** Argentine and South America lightweight champion Raul Venerdini beat Hector Pace in 12.

▲**Salta:** Light heavy Simeon Gallardo beat Ruben Gonzalez in 10.

▲**Cordoba:** Bantam Jose Casas kayoed Hector Chavez in second round.

▲**Parana:** Light heavy Miguel A. Duro kayoed Carlos Reato in fourth round.

▲**Unquillo:** Welter Francisco Martinsen beat Ernesto Pizarro in 10 rounds.

▲**Santa Rosa:** Welter Miguel A. Campanino whipped Anibal Di Lella in 10 rounds.

▲**Buenos Aires:** In the light heavy class in final bout for the Felix D. Frascara Trophy, South America champion Avenamar Peralta beat Victor Galindez in 10 rounds.

▲**Tandil:** Feather Jose J. Diaz outpointed Rafael Souza in 10 rounds. Graciano Pintore kayoed Humberto Leiton in 10.

▲**Santa Ana:** In the junior middle class Ramon Vega kayoed German Correa in first round.

▲**San Rafael (Mendoza):** In the junior light division Oscar Piton outpointed Antonio Acosta in 10 and his brother (welter) Omar Piton kayoed Octavio Scazziota in first round.

▲**Buenos Aires:** Junior middle Miguel A. Castellini kayoed Ruben "Chingolo" Martinez in six.

▲**Tucuman:** Lightweight Manuel Lopez whipped Carlos Martinez in 10.

▲**San Juan:** Junior middle Raul O. Pereyra won vacant title over Faustino Galdame in 12.

▲**Cordoba:** Lightweight Carlos Aro won the decision over hitherto undefeated Hugo Gutierrez by KO in eight round. In the welter class Carlos Chavez (Peru) kayoed Pedro Videla in second round.

▲**Bahia Blanca:** In the junior middle class Ricardo Veron stopped Juan "Yanny" Garcia in five rounds.

▲**Tres Arroyos:** In the bantam class Santos Lazarte beat Eduarto Miguel in 10.

▲**Villa Regina:** Middleweight Ramon "Chamorro" Oliva beat Miguel Saul by KO in nine rounds.

▲**Salta:** Ex-Argentine flyweight champion Juan J. Brizuela beat Antonio Barbosa (Brazil) in 10 rounds.

▲**Mendoza: Lights:** Pedro Aguero (Argentine) kayoed Miguel A. Piris (Uruguay) in third round; **lights:** Abraham Valenzuela (Argentine) kayoed Jose Miranda (Uruguay) in second round; **feathers;** Enrique Aguero (Argentine) beat Hugo Melgarejo (Uruguay) in 6 rounds; **flys:** Miguel Velez (Argentine) kayoed Jose Budes (Uruguay) in first round.

▲**Cordoba:** Argentine bantam champion Heleno Ferreira beat hitherto undefeated Jose Casas on points in 10 rounds. **Lights:** Dionisio Vilches whipped Juan Burgui in 8th round.

▲**Salta:** For the local middleweight title Domingo Guerrero retained his crown stopping Juan C. M. Munoz in 11 rounds.

▲**Laboulaye:** In the junior welter class Felix Gomez whipped Oscar Raimundo in 10 rounds.

▲**Mardel Plata:** Welter Mario Guilloti kayoed Raul J. Sosa in seventh round.

▲**Bahia Blanca:** In the junior welter division Juan J. Gimenez kayoed Antonio Arrieta in third round.

▲**Cosquin:** Carlos Villalba kayoed junior welter Marcelo Gallardo in five rounds.

▲**Rosario:** Lightweight Julio Campagna beat Santiago Lopez on points in 10 rounds.

▲**Huinca Renance:** Welter Miguel A. Campanino beat Octavio Excauriza in 10 rounds.

▲**Esquel:** Argentine and South America junior middle champion Hector Palleres beat Ramon Pereyra in 12 rounds.

▲**Mar del Plata:** Feather Luis Romo beat Ramon Duarte in 10.

▲**Comodoro Rivadavia:** Middleweight Juanito Sanchez whipped Ramon Loyola in 10 rounds.

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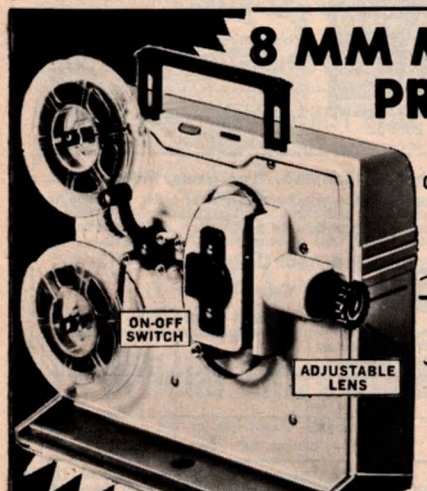

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CLAY'S SPARRING JOUSTS ● ENTHRALL VIRGINIA FANS ●

By JACK LEVINSON

Norfolk, Va. — Some 3,700 witnessed a program at Hampton Roads Coliseum featuring Cassius Clay. He took on four opponents instead of the scheduled two, boxing each two rounds. Angelo Dundee flew up from Miami to work in Clay's corner. Cassius sparred with Jeffry Merritt, Miami, Jimmy Young, Philadelphia, Johnny Gauss, Buffalo, and James Tracy Summerville, Miami.

Clay received $15,000. The gate fell below expectations for the first boxing show on the Peninsula in 27 years.

Former heavyweight champion Jersey Joe Walcott received an ovation as referee. When Cassius was introduced to Dr. Albert Thompson, the ringside physician, by "Bill" Brennan, Cassius said, "I don't need a doctor. Joe Frazier needs the doctor."

Before Clay came on the scene the fans got a big bang out of the preliminaries. Sammy Rookard, 140, Spartanburg, rallied in the late rounds and scored a T.K.O. in 2:30 of the 7th round over Johnny Howard, 136, Richmond.

David (Sugar) Wyatt, 150, Richmond, held his early lead to win a close 8 round decision over Eddie Harris, 150, Spartanburg. In 4-rounders, Bruce Cantrell, 165, Spartanburg, outpointed Sugar Ryan, 165, Richmond, and Charlie Boston, 225, Winston-Salem, won the decision over James Lewis, 258, Fort Eustis, in a battle of lardy heavyweights.

In the 8-round main event, Doc Holliday, 160, Washington, scored a clear-cut decision over Roy Ingram, 160, Philadelphia.

OLIVEIRA STOPS CALVETTI ● IN BRAZILIAN FEATURE ●

By GLICERIO MATTEI

Sao Paulo, Brazil — At Ibirapueta Stadium, Miguel de Oliveira, Brazilian junior middleweight champion, kayoed Julio Calvetti (Argentina) in three rounds.

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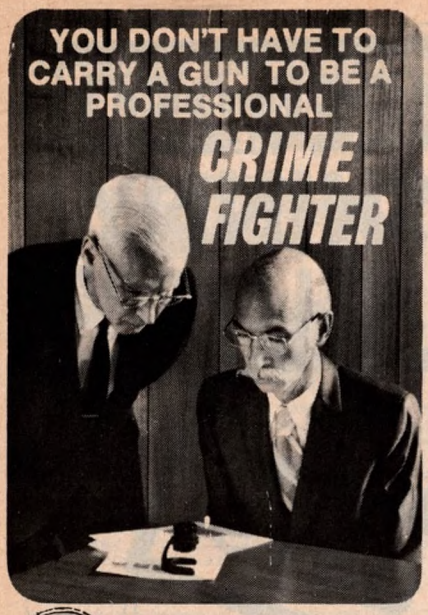

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SPOLDI REPORTS ON ARCARI'S ● 5TH ROUND KO OF PUGH ●

By ALDO SPOLDI

Turin, Italy—There were some 8,000 fans in the Palazzo delle Sport here when Bruno Arcari, whom the WBC calls the world welter champion, despite The Ring's rating of Jose Napoles, stopped New Orleans scrapper Percy Pugh in the fifth round. Arcari weighed 142, the American 143.

This fight was an outgrowth of the one between Pugh and Sandro Lopopolo, former welter title holder here in Europe. Pugh gave Lopopolo a battle. Pugh did not do so well against Arcari. So we have comparisons.

Giovanni Girgenti, featherweight champion of Italy, beat Henry Nesi, of France, in a ten-rounder. Nesi, 131.

Franco Zurlo, former bantam champion of Europe, 121, could do no better than get an eight-round draw with Bob Allotey, Ghana, 120.

Elio Calcabrini, 160, who looks like a comer, knocked out Roberto Bisotti, 162.

In Milan, not having a foreign boxer in the program, people deserted and only 1,800 attended. . . .family affairs.

Renzo Grespan: lbs: 179, North of Italy champion light heavyweight, and Sergio Jannilli, 178. Draw in 8 rounds.

They are promising light heavyweights but as usual for Italian boxers, they rarely present themself in perfect physical condition for the simple reason they train only to lose overweight created by overeating,—never training for the bout.

After the first exchange, in the second round, the boxers were empty of energy and slowly they got to the 8th round. When their seconds gave the signal of the "10 seconds" to the end of the fight, they started an exchange of punches and finished even.

In the other 8 round bout, Aldo Traversaro (179) a. . .new hope for the light heavy class and one of the best punchers of all Italian boxers, run into a classy "good worker of the ring." Oke Griffith, from Ghana, with his Clay style puzzled the Italian, who found himself with an eye cut in the last round and got his first defeat in his short career by T.K.O. in the 8th round.

This report is the first from Aldo Spoldi, who used to be one of Italy's all time greats. He will do some special work on Italian boxing. Note his change against Italian boxers above.

GRAY, TORONTO, FLIES TO PARIS VICTORY OVER CERDAN

By FRANK ALLNUTT

MARSEILLES, France — Canadian welterweight champion, Clyde Gray (Toronto) turned in one of his best performances to date by out-boxing world rated Marcel Cerdan Jr. to gain a clear ten-round decision.

Up to the halfway point in the bout there was little to choose between them. Gray stepped up the pace at the start of the sixth and began to score with his best punch, a left hook to the head and body.

In round eight, the precision and accurate punching by Gray paid off when he dropped Cerdan with a left hook to the jaw. Badly stunned, Cerdan took the eight count. From that point on until the final bell the Canadian boxer held complete control and won going away.

The loss for Cerdan was a serious setback and wipes out any possible chance of a future match with world champion Jose Napoles. To gain a better world rating the management of Gray should now try for a return fight with Armando Muniz, (Los Angeles) who K.O'd. Gray in nine rounds.

To obtain recognition in Toronto sports pages, Gray should try picking up a speeding ticket or take up ice hockey. He would get more publicity from this than he will ever get from boxing.

Before Gray left for France a report in the local paper under the heading of 'Thumbnail Tales', carried a 13 line story consisting of 79 words. Included in this extravaganza of reporting, Clyde Gray's name appeared twice. It took 77 words of that report to tell the boxing fans just what airline Gray would be flying by.

If it were not for the wire service it's possible that the result of the fight would never have appeared. Toronto boxers who strive to be successful can always know that support and coverage by local papers will be almost non-existent. Horse racing, ice hockey and football control the sport pages of Toronto papers. Boxing? Forget it.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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ITALY

▲**Viareggio:** Welterweight—Piero Ceru drew in a ten rounder with Everaldo Costa Azevedo.

▲**Udine:** Middleweight—Roberto Sgrazzutti beat Raffaela Maio, KO1. Welterweight—Bruno Freschi outscored Tomasoni, eight.

▲**Milan:** European light-weight champion—Antonio Puddu held on to his crown, outpointing Jean Pierre LeJaouen, France, fifteen. A right to the jaw decked LeJaouen in frame four. Puddu went to the canvas in heats five and nine.

FRANCE

▲**Charleville:** Heavyweight—Christian Poncelet drew in a ten rounder with Jean Tshikuna.

▲**Dunkirk:** Welterweight—Bernard Creton outscored Guiseppe De Roberts, ten. Bantamweight—Francis Payelle drew in a ten with Sergio Mencarelli.

▲**Biarritz:** Featherweight—Paul Rourre drew with Ricardo Rey, ten.

▲**Paris:** Middleweight—Nessim Cohen outscored Gratien Tonna, ten. Welterweight—Robert Gallois beat Pietro Gaspari, TKO6. Middleweight—Mario Lamagna outscored Vicent Parra, eight. Lightweight—Eifisio Pinna outpointed Henri Nesi, eight. Light heavyweight—Ba Sounkala stopped Jean Tshikuna, in three.

▲**Soissons:** Lightweight—Raymond Dauteuille decisioned Michel Danjon, eight.

▲**Charleville:** Heavyweight—John Roy beat Christian Poncelet, TKO2. Welterweight—Guy Vercoutter outpointed Sreco Weiner, ten.

▲**Alfortville:** Middleweight—Jacques Kechichian beat Epifanio Collado, TKO8. Lightweight Baldassari Picone outpointed Siki Sow, eight.

▲**Paris:** Lightweight—Roger Zami beat Terry Rondeau, TKO4. Welterweight—Marcel Millien drew with Pierre Lambert, eight.

▲**Marseilles:** Lightweight—Rene Pigny beat Antoine Oke, TKO5. French junior lightweight champion—Felix Brami beat Marius Cordier, TKO8. Middleweight-Gratien Tonna beat Jose Madrazo, who was disqualified in the fifth.

▲**Paris:** Welterweight—Jacques van Mellaerts outpointed Vasco Armstrong, ten.

▲**Rheims:** Welterweight—Robert Gallois outscored Dante Pelaez, ten. Lightweight—Georges Perrot outpointed Jean Claude Delgove, ten.

▲**Annecy:** European welterweight champion—Roger Menetrey, France, beat Joao Dos Santos, Brazil, the latter retiring with a broken rib in round seven.

SPAIN

▲**Barcelona:** Bantamweight—Augustin Senin beat Diouisio Bisbal, TKO2. Middleweight—Jose Duran beat Miguel Munoz, TKO5. Featherweight—Domingo Giminez outscored Toti Martin, eight.

▲**Las Palmas:** Quintana Trujillo beat Pinto Marques, TKO4. Lightweight—Kid Tano beat Fernando Tavarres, TKO7.

▲**Bilbao:** Welterweight—Juan Jose Pardo outscored Angel Neches, ten. Heavyweight—Casimiro Martinez drew with Jose Galvez, eight.

▲**Almeria:** Featherweight—Jose Bisbal outpointed Bossi Gonzalez, eight. Light heavyweight—Jose Galvez beat Victor Marquez, KO2. Lightweight—Tony Molina outpointed Joe Vega, eight.

▲**Zaragoza:** Lightweight—J. Bermejo beat Maximo Gonzalez, TKO8. Lightweight—Juan Pena outpointed Guillermo Perez, eight.

▲**Vitoria:** Lightweight—Jose Maria Rey beat Mariano Perez, who was disqualified in the sixth.

▲**Alicante:** Bantamweight—Rodriguez Figueroa beat Medina, TKO5.

▲**Barcelona:** Middleweight—Jose Duran drew with Francisco Ferri, eight. Lightweight—Jonathan Dele, beat Juan Pena, TKO6. Domingo Giminez beat Seba, KO3.

▲**Alicante:** Featherweight—Jose Legra beat Ben Salah, KO1.

▲**Pampiona:** Heavyweight—Lucio Urtasun outscored Benito Villanueva, eight. Lightweight—Jiminez Paperito beat Toti Martin, TKO2.

TURKEY

▲**Istanbul:** Junior welterweight—Cemal Kamaci beat Baldassare Picone, TKO5.

HOLLAND

▲**Rotterdam:** Dutch heavyweight champion Rudi Lubbers outscored former European light heavyweight champion, Piero Del Papa, Italy, ten.

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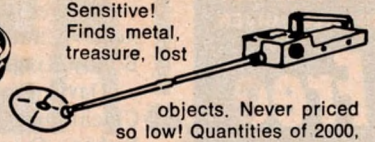

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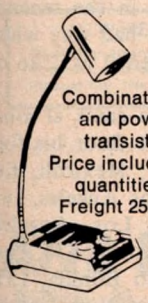

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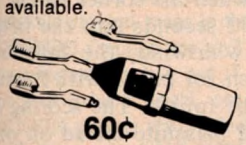

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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In a second ten, Alberto Reyes, 126½, San Jose, outscored Julio Leal, 125, Stockton.

▲**LONG BEACH**—Irish Terry Lee, 174, Concord, won a unanimous, but unpopular 10 round decision over Amado Vazquez, 173½, San Diego, at the Long Beach Arena.

Most of the crowd thought that Vazquez landed the majority of punches.

Referee Larry Rozadilla scored it 6-4; judge Chuck Hassett, 5-4; and judge Bobby Rings, 4-2.

David Diaz, 128½, Guam, outpointed Chichi Ontrevars, 128, National City, (6); Ruben Ortega, 147, Imperial Beach, decisioned Roberto Bonilla, 151, San Juan, P.R., (5); Oliver Ewell, 131, Los Angeles, KO over Jamie Ibarra, 130, San Diego, (1).

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Young Rudy Robles of Carson, gave veteran campaigner Ronnie Wilson a lesson in boxing.

Robles, 160½, was expected to be extended by Wilson, who had just come off a Madison Square Garden win over Bobby O'Brien.

However, the 20-year-old Robles just boxed Wilson's ears off, winning by the following margins: Referee George Latka, 8-4; judge Bob Dossey, 8-2; and judge Rudy Jordan, 7-1.

There were no knockdowns, but in the eighth, Rudy buckled Ronnie's knees with a looping right hand. Wilson weighed 162½.

The crowd at the Olympic numbered 3300 and the gate was $7310.

In a second 10-rounder, Jose Luis del Campo, 127, Guadalajara, Mexico, outslugged Memo Morales, 127½, Mexicali, to take a unanimous decision.

Del Campo had built up a solid early margin, then had to withstand a late round flurry by Morales.

Ricardo Valenzuela, 140, Los Angeles, and Jose Lujan, 137½, East Los Angeles, drew (4); Jesus Mariscal, 134, Mexico, stopped Rudy Olvera, 135½, Los Angeles, (2).

▲**LONG BEACH**—Felipe Torres, Los Angeles, and Vil Tumulak, formerly of the Philippines, were scheduled to meet in a 12-rounder for the vacant California lightweight lead at the Auditorium here.

Torres came in one-half pound overweight and the fight was changed to a 10-rounder, with no title at stake.

After ten rounds, Torres was awarded a close, but well earned, decision. Felipe weighed 135½, Tumulak, 135.

Irish Greg Potter, 137, Wilmington, got the verdict over Sal Ceja, 139, Los Angeles, (6); David Diaz, 130½, Guam, decisioned Ray Llamas, 131½, San Diego, (6); Tommy Velasquez, 135½, Santa Ana won over Manuel Soto, 136½, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**LONG BEACH**—In a fast paced 12-rounder, George Cooper, 159½, Oakland, retained his California middleweight lead with a unanimous decision over Clarence (Butch) Geigger, 159, Los Angeles, at the Auditorium.

There were no knockdowns. Cooper landed the better blows and had Geigger in trouble in the late rounds.

Spider Reyes, 131, stopped Lemone Salas, 129, Mexico (2); Ruben Coria, 128½, East Los Angeles, decisioned Ray Ilamas, 129, San Diego, (6); Johnny Dunn, 155½, Los Angeles, KO over Rosario Murrillo, 155, San Diego, (1).

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Thurman Durden, 148, Los Angeles, improved his record to 23-3 with a fourth round KO over Mario Olmedo, 146, Oaxaca, Mexico, in their scheduled ten at Olympic.

Olmedo took the opening round, but Durden picked up steam in the second. He had the Mexican in a bad way when referee Rudy Jordan halted it at 2:46 of the fourth.

Durden, who deserves a crack at some rated opposition, couldn't floor his foe.

Adolfo Gonzalez, 161, Mexicali, KO over Ray Smith, 162, Los Angeles, (6); Rodolfo Olvera, 136, Los Angeles, decision over Johnny Pachuca, 134, East Los Angeles, (5); Roberto Bonilla, 151, Puerto Rico, decision over Nick Garcia, 153, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Arturo (Tury) Pineda, 127, Mexicali, remained in the perfect department, registering win no. 12 at the Olympic.

The victory didn't come cheap as Japan's Masahito Takahashi, 126, gave Pineda all he could handle up to the fifth. Takahashi's right eye was shut and his left ear was puffed when his corner threw in the towel after 52 seconds into the fifth.

A sawed-off whirlwind, the Japanese boxer went punch for punch with Pineda till the end of the fourth. The scoring at that point found Masahito ahead on one card, even on another and behind on one.

The gate was $8650, good—considering local fans watched the action for free on TV.

Jorge Rodriguez, 123, Mexicali, stopped Fili Castro, 121, Los Angeles, (5); Jewel Chappel, 123, Santa Monica, outpointed Felipe Cesena, 123, Mexicali, (5); Rodolfo Olvera, 136, Los Angeles, KO over Demetrio Salazar, 138, East Los Angeles, (1).

▲**LONG BEACH**—Irish Mike Nixon is going to quit fighting guys named Davis. In 17 bouts, Mike's three losses have been against George Davis (twice) and Art Davis.

Art Davis, 158, a veteran from San Diego, was a stunning victor over Nixon, 160, Glendale, at the Auditorium here.

After four rounds, it looked as if Nixon would be much too strong for Davis. Then early in the fifth, A. Davis exploded with a long left hook to send Mike staggering onto the ropes. Referee George Latka gave him a count standing up, then Davis dropped him again with lefts and rights.

Mike tried to come back, but Latka ruled he was in no condition to continue and raised Davis' hand after 2:53 of the fifth.

Johnny Dunn, 159, Los Angeles, decisioned Johnny Sharpe, 160, (6).

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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Buchanan holds the world title.

Reilly and Watt met last September in a final eliminator, with Watt winning on an eye injury. When Ken gave up his crown they were automatically matched for the vacant championship.

There was little between these two when the end came. Watt got his injury in the seventh, and from then on took the fight to his opponent, conscious that the fight could be stopped and anxious to try and win quickly.

But Reilly allowed his opponent to do this, concentrating on keeping out trouble, and allowing Watt to expend his energy.

Watt was slightly ahead on points when the referee intervened, but with five rounds to go anything could have happened.

Howard Hayes, Doncaster, 127¼, had little difficulty in stopping Frenchman Mario Oliveira, 125¾, in five. Both had eye injuries, but Hayes had weakened his opponent by non-stop punching when Oliveira's corner retired him at the end of the fifth. Hayes is now unbeaten in 14 bouts.

Dave Needham, Nottingham, 117¾, Hayes' stablemate, also stopped a Frenchman, Jean-Pierre Flambeau, 121¾, in six. Needham overwhelmed his opponent with his southpaw jabbing, and gained his tenth win in a row.

Des Morrison, St. Ives, 142½, from the Joe Bugner stable, stopped Robin Polak, Nottingham, 148, in the fifth on an eye injury. Polak had been down twice.

▲There are some fights you can watch, and quickly forget. There are others that stick in your memory. Such a contest was the one between champion Alan Rudkin, Liverpool, 117¾, and challenger Johnny Clark, Walworth, 117¼, for the British and Commonwealth bantamweight titles, at Royal Albert Hall.

The winner was Rudkin, by a score of 73½-73, But having said that, let me make it quite plain that there were times when Rudkin looked as if he might be beaten.

Fortunes fluctuated throughout, and rarely has there been as skillful and exciting a bout in recent years, irrespective of weight division. It had everything, skill, punch, determination, courage, ringcraft, and was so cleanly fought that a referee was necessary only to score the bout.

When they first met, 21 months earlier, Rudkin won in the twelfth round after Clark had boxed beautifully early on. This time the fight was as good, if not better, but the pattern wasn't the same. Clark had learned from their previous encounter, and didn't put all his eggs in one basket.

Many said that Rudkin, at 30, was ready for the taking by the 24-year-old Clark, that Rudkin had taken too much punishment in his European title fight against Agustin Senin of Spain last August and that he had weight trouble.

Rudkin proved them all wrong, and proved for those who had doubted, that he is a worthy champion, and a true professional.

Now that Henry Cooper has retired, Rudkin becomes senior champion. He won his title in 1965, lost it to Walter McGowan in 1966, regained it from McGowan in 1968, and has held it ever since.

He needs only one more title fight victory to gain a second Lonsdale Belt outright.

As to the fight, Rudkin got a cut mouth early on, and this must have been quite a handicap, as he must have swallowed blood. But he made light of it. This happened in the fourth, and there followed a bad period for the champion for a couple of rounds. Yet he fought back to edge ahead by the ninth.

Then it was Clark's turn for a couple of rounds again, and just as we were thinking that perhaps Rudkin had given all he had, back he came again with a burst of sustained pressure that must have taken Clark by surprise. Where was this little man getting his stamina from?

From then on the champ kept on top. In the thirteenth Clark's left eye was closing rapidly, and Rudkin kept his left hand working to the face. In the final session he kept punching, forced Clark against the ropes, and the latter didn't have the strength in his legs to get away.

In this position the champion just kept throwing punches. There was no power behind them, but they did score, and they did have the effect of keeping Clark on the ropes, covering up.

A magnificent fight. Clark and his manager Dennie Mancini thought the challenger had done enough to win, but the result was fair. Rudkin paid tribute to Clark on the ring microphone for putting up a 'helluva fight', which indeed he had.

Now Alan has two ambitions, a second Lonsdale Belt outright, and recovery of the European title from Senin. John Kellie is the man due to meet Rudkin for the British title, but a bigger money-spinner would undoubtedly be a third meeting with Clark.

Rudkin and Clark restored the fans' faith in British boxing.

The rest of the bill was something of anti-climax, but nevertheless produced a couple of shocks. 'Gipsy' Johnny Frankham, Reading, 171, unexpectedly lost to Tom 'The Bomb' Bethea, New York, 171¼, on points by 49-28½, over ten rounds.

Frankham, noted for his clowning tactics, repeated them in the first half of the fight, but failed to do enough work. Bethea wasn't at all bothered by Frankham's imitation of the Muhammad Ali approach, and concentrated on going forward, getting to grips, and punching away with both hands. This was a successful tactic, and he gained a good points lead while Frankham was content to pose, with the occasional countering left jab.

It wasn't until Frankham had taken quite a bit of punishment from Bethea's persistent attacks, especially right swings to the head, that he started to get into the fight, and in the last few rounds he gave his fans plenty to cheer about as he jabbed away with his left, and kept up his attacks.

But his efforts over the last three rounds were not enough to get on terms, and Bethea himself put in good last rounds to foil all Frankham's attempts to make up the deficit.

A good performance by Bethea, whose two previous appearances in Britain were at the middleweight poundage, when he twice defeated Mark Rowe.

Talking of Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 160, he suffered a shock defeat at the hands of substitute Howard Sharpe, Jamaica, 165, being stopped in 50 seconds of the first round.

Sharpe, coming in for Frenchman Gerard Cola, glided quickly across the right at the opening bell and caught Rowe with a right to the head which floored him for six.

As the fans gasped, Rowe attempted to fight back and threw a left hook, only to run into a fusillade of punches to the head that put him down again, this time for eight. He had no defence.

As he continued to take lead punches on the ropes the referee intervened.

Johnny Stracey, Bethnal Green, 148½, kayoed Yvon Mariolle, France, 148½, in four. Last time they met Stracey kayoed his man in six.

This brought Stracey's record to 20 fights without defeat. Manager Terry Lawless is fortunate to have two class welters like Stracey and British champion Ralph Charles in his stable.

After a brief summing-up period Stracey went to work, ripping in punches from all angles, hooks, jabs, crosses, the lot. Mariolle couldn't cope, and took the count on one knee with his left hand to his head as if to shut it all out.

No trouble for John Conteh, Liverpool, 177, who stopped Czech Wilhelm Jankow, 168¾, in the first round. Official reason - a cut right eyelid. Every time Jankow was hit he wobbled. Six out of six for Conteh, whose potential is unlimited.

Former British junior welterweight champion Des Rea, Belfast, 150½, outpointed substitute Teddy Meho, 154, Ghana, over eight, by 39¾-39½. Both boxers suffered facial punishment, with Rea doing more work and showing the better ringcraft.

Too much importance should not be placed on this result, for Meho would have been a different proposition at his normal weight, with proper preparation.

▲Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester—Five quick wins in a row for Phil Bryant, Cardiff, 127½, who halted Malcolm Lowe, Chesterfield, 128, in four. Lowe's southpaw style didn't worry Bryant at all, and in the fourth he dropped his man twice before the referee intervened.

Alan Richardson, Fitzwilliam, 127¼, former ABA champion, repeated over Bingo Crooks, Wolverhampton, 128, but his points victory did not meet with unanimous approval. Score was 29¾-29½, over six.

Rodney Brown, Liverpool, 160, stopped Dave Nelson, Wolverhampton, 162, in the opening session after flooring him for three counts. Good comeback for Brown after eight months inactivity.

Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 167¼, stopped Mansey Turner, Wolverhampton, 164, in two after canvassing him twice.

▲National Sporting Club, London—Howard Sharpe, Jamaica, 165¾, outpointed Clive Cook, Cardiff, 159¾, who came in as a last-minute substitute, by the narrow margin of 39½-39¼.

Cook boxed well, but just couldn't concede the weight, and all things considered did well to keep matters so close. Sharpe forced the issue, and a good final round clinched it.

Noel McIvor, Luton, 138¾, outpointed Tony Cunningham, Liverpool, 138¼, over eight by 39¾-39. A fine all-action contest, and the score rather flattered McIvor.

Mike Pinkney, Leeds, 136¾, outpointed Billy Belnavis, Wolverhampton, 135, by 30-29¼ over six. Pinkney got his jab working well, and Belnavis tired in the closing stages.

No knockdowns, but the referee stopped the bout between Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 144, and Pat Marshall, Bristol, 149, in the fourth when the latter was under pressure.

▲Bentley Comrades Club, Doncaster—Thirteen in a row for Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 148, who outscored Phil Dykes, Liverpool, 146½, over eight by 39¼-39.

In this battle of southpaws Joyce looked to have won by a larger margin, his punching being crisper and more accurate, but Dykes never gave up. 'Nobbins' were thrown in at the close.

Jim Moore, Bradford, 147, kayoed Jimmy Corrigan, Doncaster, 149, in the sixth and final round, after flooring him twice in the third.

Johnny Rushton, Doncaster, 161, outpointed Pat Brogan, Crewe, 160½, over six by 29¾-28¾, and in spite of Rushton's clever boxing the margin seemed too large.

▲Top Rank Suite, Reading—Les Stevens, Reading, 195½, stopped Jim Gilmour, Glasgow, 194½, in the second round, a right-hand behind the ear shaking the latter, who stumbled back. As Stevens followed up the referee intervened. Stevens, a former ABA champion, could be the best of the new professionals in the heavyweight division. It was his fifth straight win.

Del Phillips, Cardiff, 200, outscored Brian Jewitt, Newcastle, 195½, over eight by 39¼-39. A disputed verdict in this all-southpaw clash, but Phillips put in a good final burst.

Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, outscored Vic Humphries, Kilburn, 177½, over six by 29¾-29½. Good all-action stuff.

▲World Sporting Club, London—Another win for Les Stevens, Reading, 193, who stopped Ron Oliver, America, 185, in the seventh after a gruelling bout. The 20-year-old Stevens was caught several times early on, but shrugged it off and came back to outgame and outpunch his tough opponent. Oliver was shaken in the third, and after this Stevens stayed on top.

After a lay-off of over a year, Alan Tottoh, Manchester, 149, came back to substitute for the indisposed Jackie Turpin, and to stop Angel Ortiz, Puerto Rico, 148, in six.

Tottoh left-hooked his man with impunity, and Ortiz got more weary as round succeeded round. Body punches put him on the bottom rope. Then the referee stopped it.

Les Pickett, Merthyr, 123½, considered a fine young prospect, was outpointed by Arrow Abu, Nigeria, 126, over six by 29¾-29½. Many thought a draw would have been a better result.

Danny Fontolio, Woolwich, 161½, stopped Frank Dolan, Manchester, 166, in the opening session after Dolan had been floored five times.

▲Nottingham Great International Sporting Club—Noel McIvor, Luton, 137, kayoed Gary Yean, Liverpool, 137, in the fourth after a contest that had the fans on their feet. A right to the head dropped Yean the first time, a similar punch put him down again, and a right to the jaw finished it off.

Albert Austin, Jamaica, 204, stopped Dave Cooper, Willesden, 207½, in three, after himself being floored twice, and saved by the bell at the end of the second.

In the third Austin came back well to drop his man with a right to the jaw and as he rose Austin came in again to punish his man on the ropes when the referee intervened.

Neil Gauci, Cardiff, 127, outscored substitute Mickey Lynch, Loughborough 124, over six by 29¼-28¼.

Prince Duko, Ghana, 161¼, halted Rodney Brown, Liverpool, 158, in five, after flooring him for three counts.

▲York Hall, Bethnal Green, London—Fifth win for Tom Imrie, Edinburgh, 157½, former Commonwealth Games Champion, who stopped Mick O'Neill, Colliers Wood, 160¾, in five.

A tough contest, with Imrie's harder punching turning the scales. O'Neill had his chance in the second, when he shook his man with a right to the jaw, Imrie recovered well, and O'Neill looked groggy when the referee intervened.

O'Neill wanted to fight on, but had taken a lot of facial punishment.

Billy Seasman, Liverpool, 146½, stopped Steve Cleaver. Cardiff, 145, in five, with 'nobbins' being tossed in afterwards. A gruelling bout, with a big right hand to the jaw paving the way for the intervention.

Alan Salter, Peckham, 136, stopped Billy Belnavis, Wolverhampton, 148, in four when the latter dropped to one knee and looked as if he had had enough.

Pat McCann, Harrow, 161½, kayoed Gary Chippendale, Bristol, in five. Chippendale, a late sub, doesn't box much these days, and the result was no surprise. It was McCann's eighth successive win.

Les Davies, Bangor, 148¾, outscored Simon Rawlings, Wolverhampton, 143, over six by 30-29½, putting on a strong finish to clinch the issue.

▲**National Sporting Club, London**—A disputed decision gave Les Avoth, Cardiff, 165, a six-rounds points win over Panther Cyril, Nigeria, 164½, by 29¾-29½. Cyril seemed to be the aggressor throughout, with Avoth jabbing on the retreat, but not throwing so many points-scoring punches.

Vic Humphries, Kilburn, 176, outscored Mel Francis, Reading, 176, also over six, by 29¾-29¼. Francis was always willing to make a fight of it, but Humphries revealed more skill and landed good left jabs.

▲**Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull**—In a final eliminator for the British welterweight title Bobby Arthur, Coventry, 145¼, outpointed Les Pearson, Pontefract, 144, over 12 rounds by 59-58¾.

Little to choose between them, and Pearson and his supporters thought he had done enough. But it was one of those fights in which the referee's task of naming a winner was unenviable.

It turned into a real battle of craftiness between two excellent boxers, who tried so hard to make their openings. Arthur was better early on, but tired and Pearson put in a storming finish.

Arthur now goes on to challenge champion Ralph Charles.

Another final eliminator, this time for the British lightweight title, saw Tony Riley, Coventry, 134, stop Herbie McLean, Edinburgh, 134½, in the eleventh and penultimate round.

For four rounds McLean, the younger man, took the fight to his opponent, and shook Riley with rights to the head. Then it was Tony's turn, and he gradually got back into the fight, and by sheer skill overcame the rushing tactics of McLean.

Rights to the jaw had McLean backing. Both had eye injuries, but Mac looked the worse and had been punched practically to a standstill when the referee intervened.

Angus McMillan, Glasgow, 140, reversed a previous verdict by outscoring Simon Rawlings, St. Kitts, 140, over eight by 40-38½. Rawlings was floored twice

Mickey Lynch, Loughborough, 125½, outpointed Dave Grantley, Hull, 127½, over six by 29¾-29½.

▲**National Sporting Club, London**—Billy Waith, Cardiff, 126½, tipped as a prospect for high honours, outpointed Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, over eight, but only after a dour struggle, and the scoreline of 39½-39¼ told the story.

Hardacre did most of the attacking in the early rounds, flooring Waith twice, but was himself decked later on.

Waith improved as the fight progressed, getting some authority behind his left jab and using his right cross more. Nevertheless, many patrons thought the Welshman a trifle lucky.

Substitute Brian Jewitt, Newcastle, 194½, outscored Roger Tighe, Hull, 203, over eight by 39¾-39¼. Tighe has been inactive. He allowed Jewitt to make the early pace and couldn't catch up. Both are southpaws.

Arrow Abu, Nigeria, 126½, kayoed Laurie Redfern, Liverpool, 125½, in five with a left hook to the body.

John Judson, Liverpool, 170, outscored Vic Humphries, Kilburn, 172½, over six by 29¾-29½. Southpaw Judson worked harder.

▲**Royal Hall, Harrogate**—Angus McMillan, Glasgow, 138, kayoed Ron Clifford Pussey, 139, in three, but while it lasted it was one heck of a fight.

Clifford was decked in the opening round, but recovered, tried to trade punches only to be decked for ten from a right to the chin.

Substitute Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, 178, stopped Barry Clough, Stoke, 176, in seven, but had to overcome fierce resistance before flooring his man with a left to the jaw.

Freddie McMillan, Glasgow, 145, kayoed Bob Pattison, Newcastle, 146, in seven, after decking him twice first.

A fine draw between Dave Grantley, Hull, 127, and Dave Tuohey, Leeds, 128, who gave a pleasing display in their six-rounder.

John Croll, Dundee, 146½, outscored Jim Moore, Bradford, 147½, over six by 29½-29. Another crowd-pleaser.

▲**North Staffordshire Sporting Club, Stoke**—Don McMillan, Glasgow, 161, Scottish middleweight champion, outpointed Tom Bell, Grenada, 163, over eight by 39¾-38¾. Last year they drew one, and McMillan won the other two.

McMillan got in front early on with good counter-punching and having taken Bell's best shots came in with two-fisted attacks that clinched the issue, in spite of a Bell rally in the final session.

Barry Clogh, drew with Dave Parris, Tottenham, 177½, over eight, taking the fight to his taller opponent and never letting up, but Parris produces some accurate work and punched more crisply.

Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, 177, outscored Terry Jones, Stepney, 170, over eight 'twos' by 39-38¾. A real crowd-pleaser, bringing £20 in nobbins.

' 'John Croll, Dundee, 146½, boxed a draw with Mick Evans, Brounemouth; 147½ over eight 'twos', but after decking his man in the second looked to have done enough to win.

Freddie McMillan, Glasgow, 144, stopped Dave Petty, Christchurch, 146, in three. It was the latter's professional debut.

▲**Premier Ring Sporting Club, London**—In the first series of an Open Heavyweight Competition, with four bouts scheduled for four rounds each, the favourite Graham Sines, Tooting, 184, was surprisingly outpointed by George Gray, Glasgow, 179½.

This was such a good bout that patrons threw in nobbins. Gray started quickly, and by the time Sines had found his range it was all over. It was the latter's first defeat after five victories.

Terry Feeley, Glasgow, 191, kayoed Tommy Hanson, Scarborough, 213, in the opening session after flooring him for seven.

John Cullen, Bedford, 185, inactive for a year, kayoed Peter Bloss, Woolwich, 220, in the first. Bloss, like Hanson, was making his pro debut.

Dave Hallinan, Cricklewood, 206, was twice floored but came back to kayo Albert Auatin, Jamaica, 203½, in the second round.

Over six rounds, Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 164, outscored Prince Duko, Ghana, 161, by 29¾-29½. More precise punching earned the verdict.

▲**Civic Hall, Wolverhampton**—Jackie Turpin, Leamington, 148, voted the Best Young Boxer of 1971, made a disastrous start to the year, being kayoed in two by American Frankie Lewis, 149, after being floored for nine.

This was the moment of truth for Turpin. Lewis's two previous visits to Britain had ended with a draw against Johnny Stracey and a defeat by Bernie Terrell. So this knockout again raises doubts about Turpin's ability to take a good punch.

Jackie started in promising fashion, but Lewis wasn't bothered, waiting for the right moment, and then struck. A left to the jaw and a following right to the side of the head put Jackie down.

He rose at nine, game enough but groggy, tried to punch his way out of trouble, but there was no power, Lewis belted him with a left and a right, and it was all over. It was some seconds before Jackie recovered.

In a dull fight that got the derisive handclap, Bunny Johnson, Jamaica, 187½, outscored Rocky Campbell, Antigua, 193, over eight, by 39¼-39. When they met in 1970, Johnson won on a four-round knockout.

George McGurk, Jarrow, 136, floored Paul Bromley, Wolverhampton, 132¼, five times before the referee intervened just before the end of the opening round.

Former amateur champion Frank Carpenter, Coventry, 191, showed up well in his first pro fight, outpointing Dave Parris, Tottenham, 181, by 30-28½ over six.

Dave Roden, Birmingham, 197, outscored Brian Hall, Bexleyheath, 197, by 30-28¾ over six. Both had bad eye injuries.

Neil Gauci, Cardiff, 126½, outpointed Bingo Crooks, Wolverhampton, 128, by 29½-29¼ over six.

▲**Winter Gardens, Cleethorpes**—Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 148, remains unbeaten after 14 bouts, but was held to a draw by Amos Talbot, Manchester, 149, over eight.

An interesting contest between two southpaws. Perhaps the verdict was a little unkind to Joyce, who seemed to have matters well in hand, in spite of Talbot's strong challenge.

Joyce was faster and more clever, with Talbot's best work coming in the last three rounds, when he strove to get on terms. Joyce was handicapped by an injury to his left eye, suffered as early as the second round.

Dave Moore, Grimsby, 149, stopped southpaw Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 143, on a cut eye in the fifth round. Unlucky Flynn, winner of his last eight, looked to be in front.

Johnny Rushton, Doncaster, 161, outscored Pat Brogan, Crewe, 163, over eight in an exciting bout that the fans appreciated. Score 39¼-39.

With one contest cancelled, Rushton and Brogan agreed to box over eight instead of the scheduled six in order to help the promoter. Neither had boxed this distance before.

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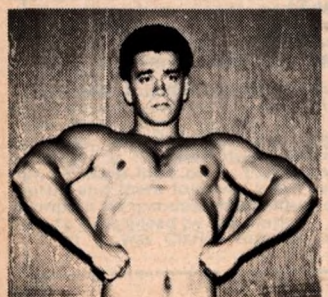

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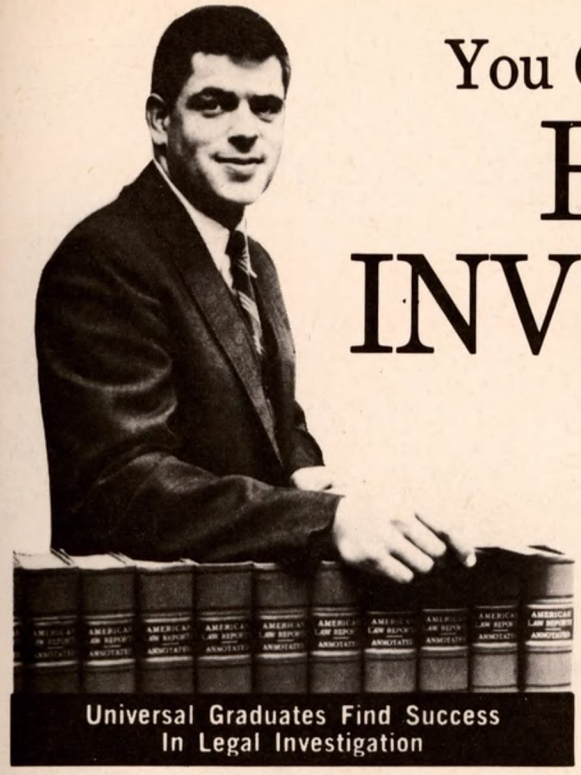

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